



Gem Gems  
1954.





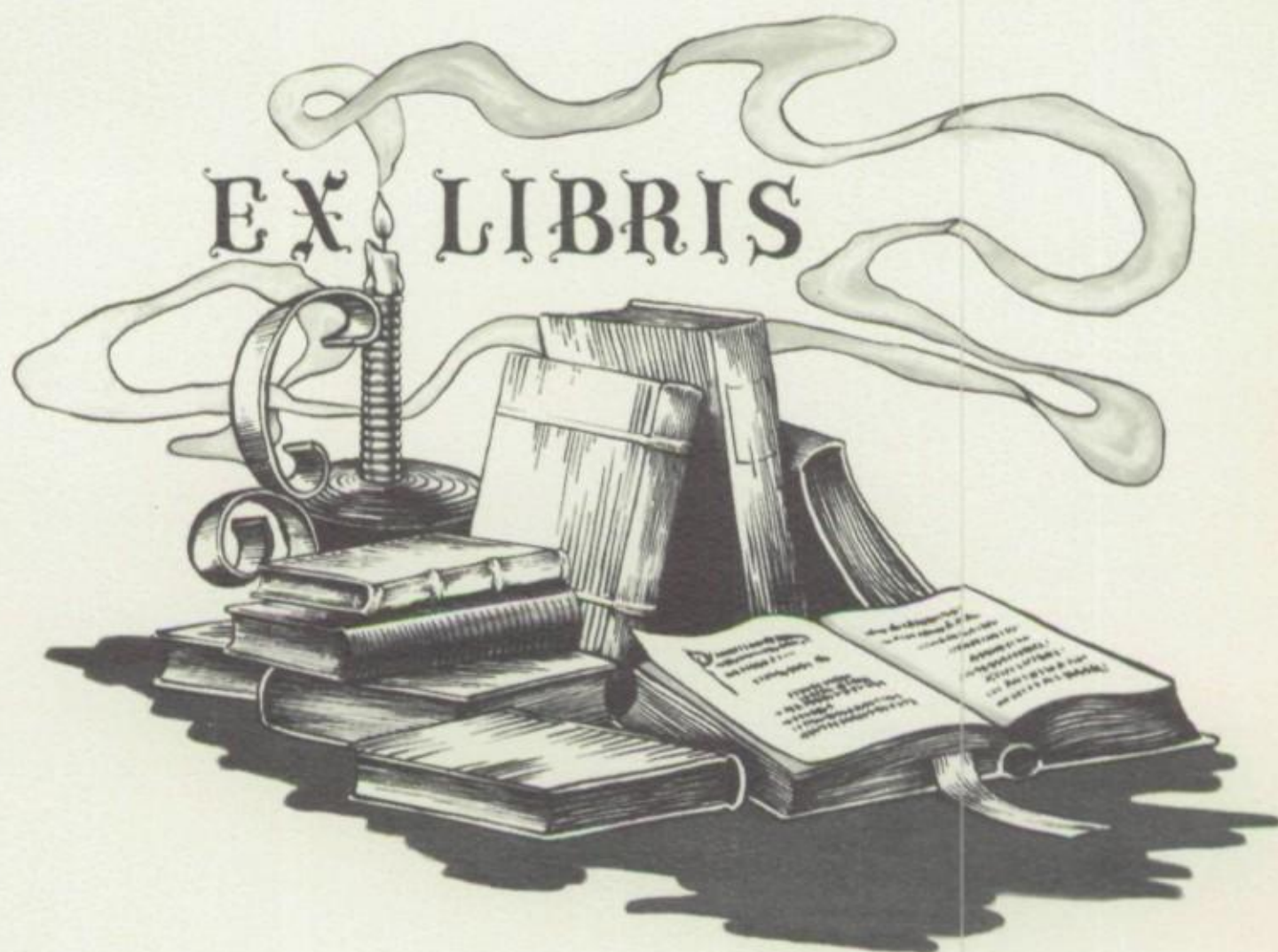


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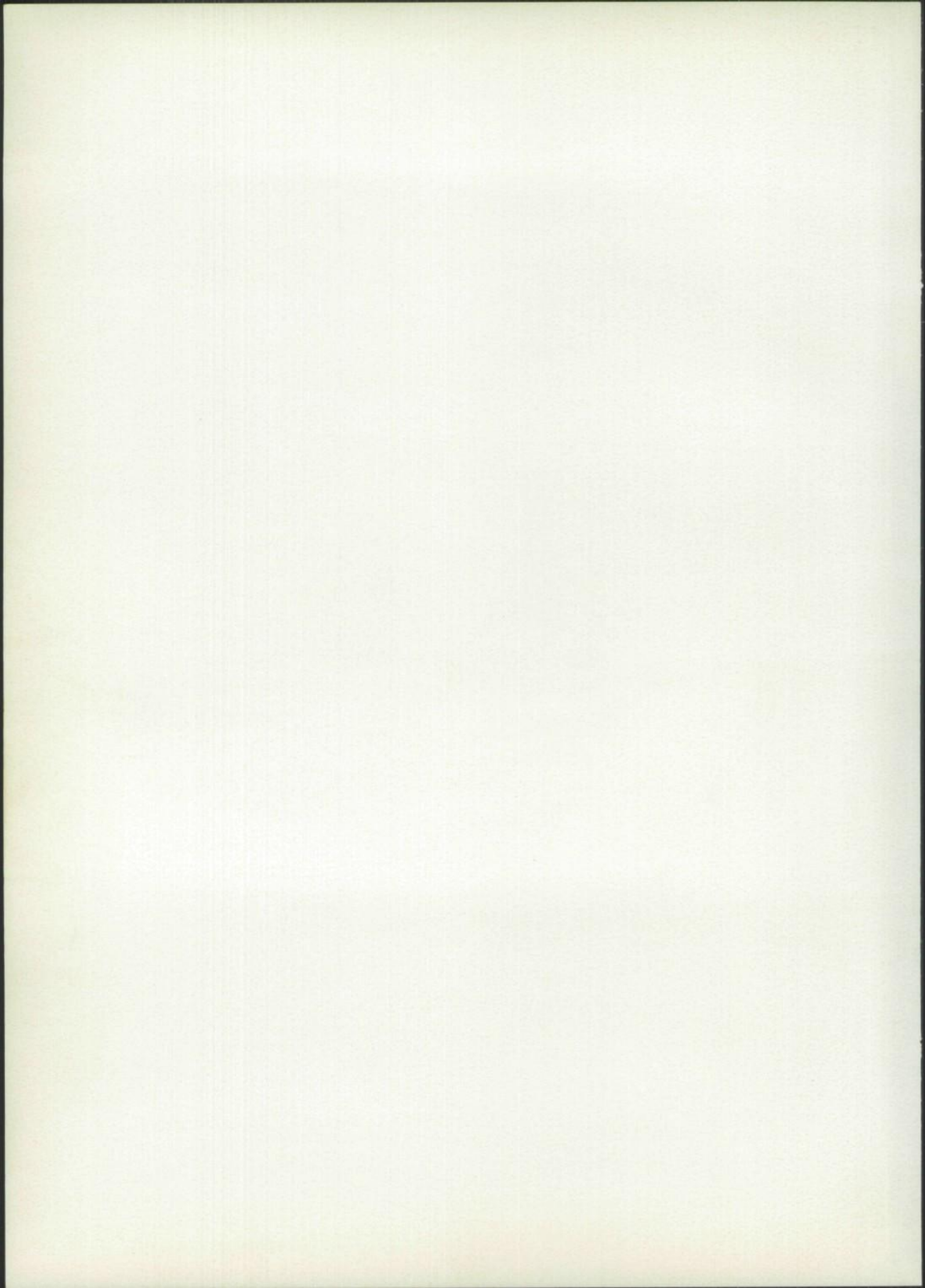




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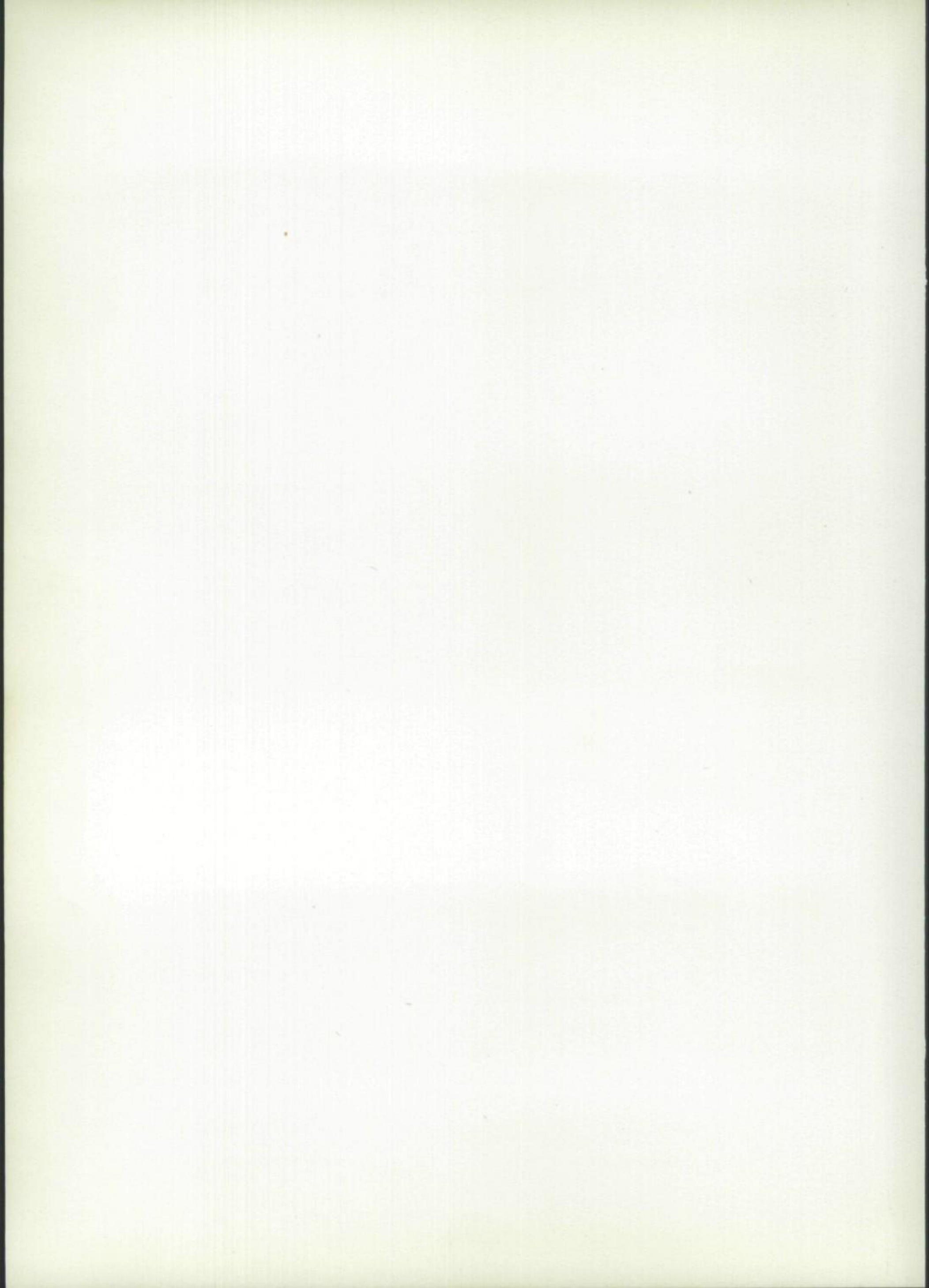




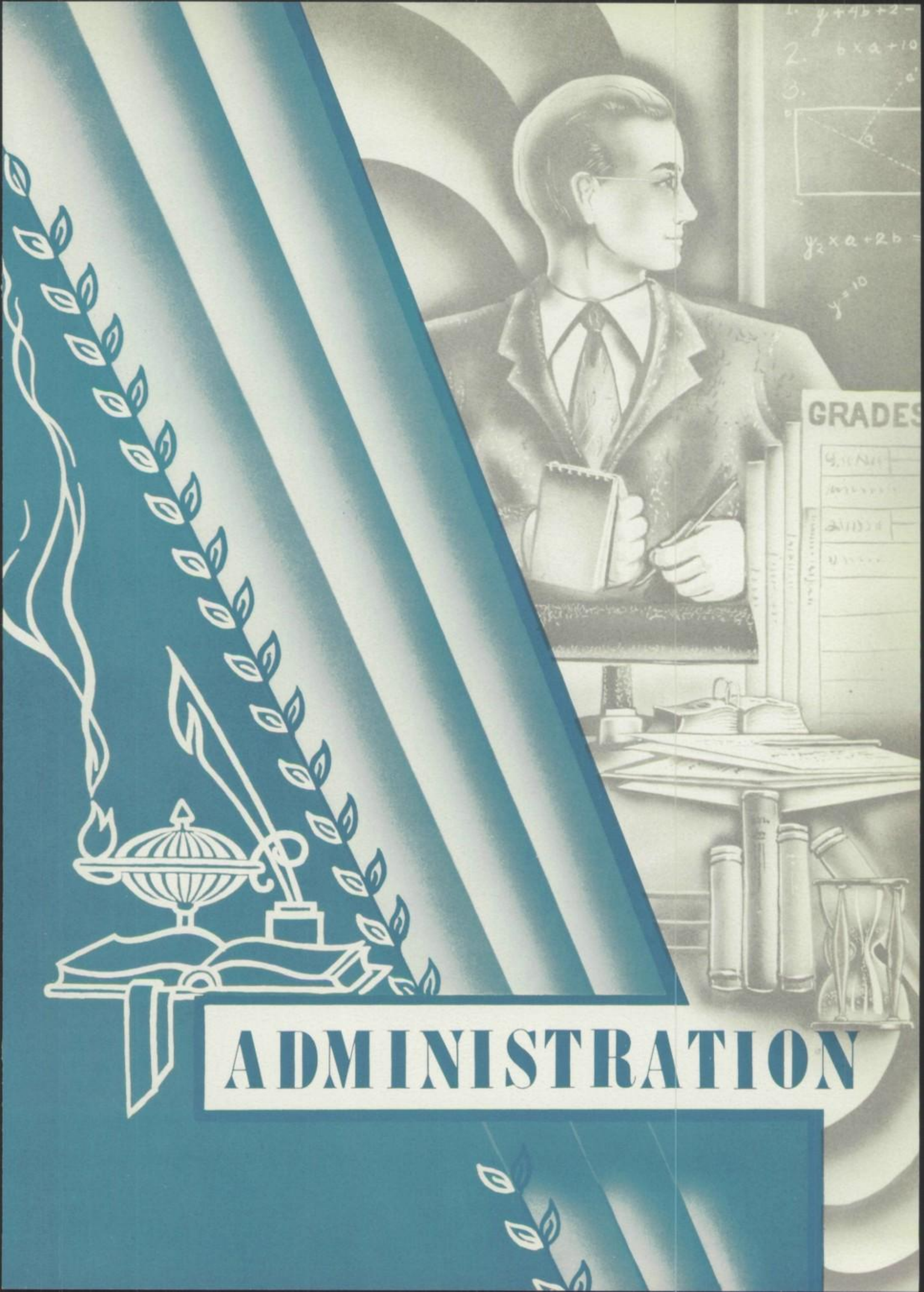
# Dedication

We the 1954 Seniors of Gem High School dedicate this eighth issue of the Gem's Gems to our parents who have so willingly put us thru school.



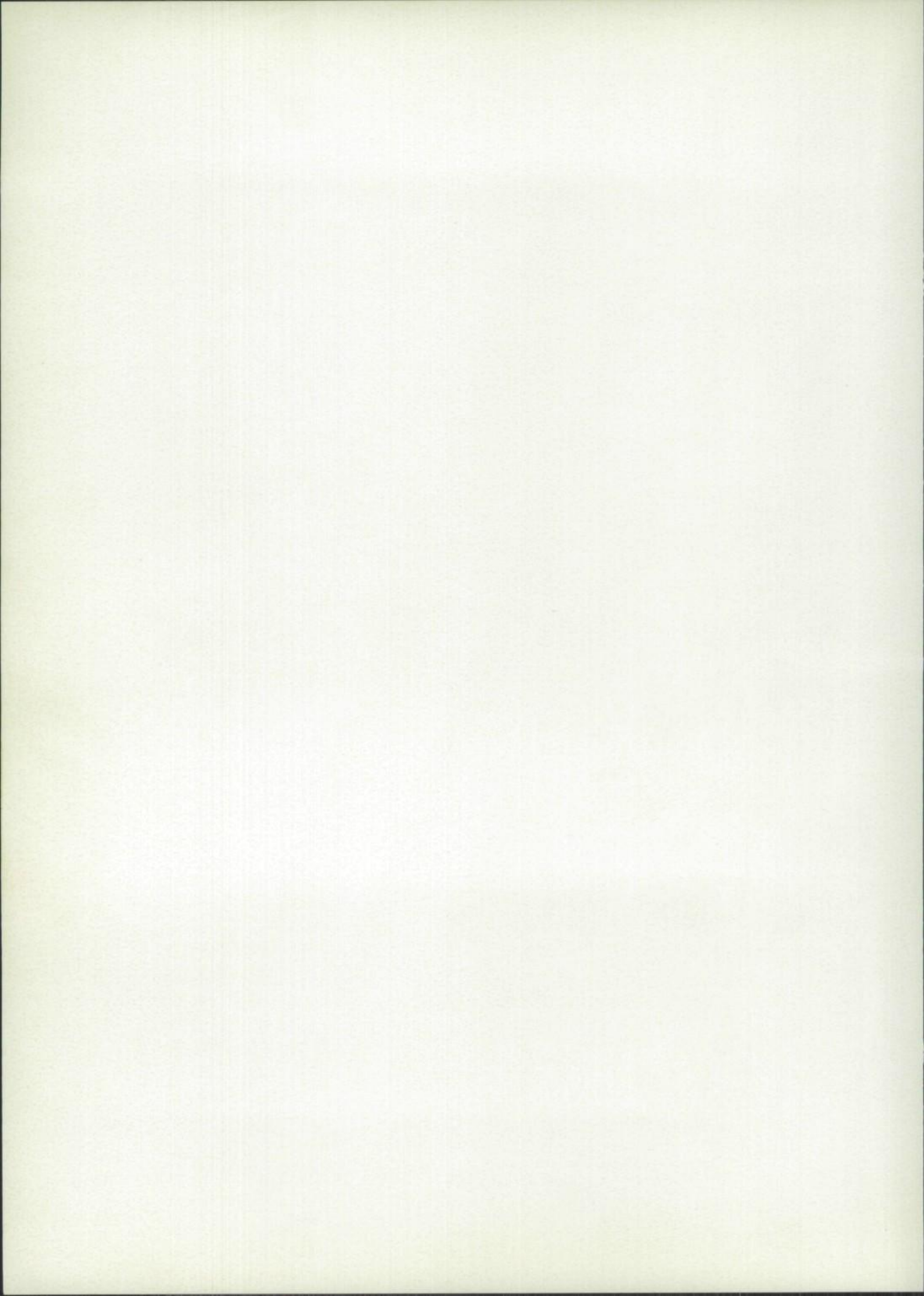






# ADMINISTRATION







## OUR SCHOOL

## SCHOOL BOARD



West Entrance



Ray Flanagin Clerk  
Ernie Ziegelmeier Treasurer  
Lon Sowers Director



North Entrance



South Bus Route

## *Custodian*



Mr. Bond

## *Cooks*



Mrs. Bond



Mrs. Davis







# Faculty



CALVIN CRAWFORD: Superintendent

Typing; World History  
He received an A. B. degree from Bethany College. He took graduate work at Colorado U. at Boulder.



ROBERT BEERY

English; Algebra; Physical Ed.  
He received his A. B. degree from Fort Hays Kansas State College. He took graduate work at Fort Hays Kansas State College.



GEORGE PATTERSON

Industrial Arts; Chemistry; American Hist.  
American Government; General Science.  
He received his B.S. degree at Fort Hays State College, and has started work toward a M.S. degree.



MISS BARBARA ANN HAYGOOD

Grade & High School Music; Band  
She received her B. S. degree at Texas State College for Women, Denton Texas.



MRS. BRET A TREAT

Seventh & Eighth Grades.  
She received her A. B. degree from Ottawa University.



MRS. CLARA SOUDERS

Fifth & Sixth Grades.  
Fort Hays Kansas State College



MRS. EDITH ANDERSON

Third & Fourth Grades  
Fort Hays Kansas State College



MISS MARY RUMMEL

First & Second Grades  
Emporia State Teachers College







# High School Classes

## CHEMISTRY

This full year course was taught by Mr. Patterson to the Senior class which consisted of only six pupils. Chemistry is the study of the ninety-six elements. All materials are made up of mixtures and compounds of the ninety-six elements. We need more Chemistry today than ever before.

## TYPING I

The first period after dinner found the Juniors hard at work in the typing room. The first few weeks were spent in learning the key board. Then came weeks of speed and accuracy drills. During the latter part of the year several budgets of letters and personal typing problems and various forms of letters were typed. Mr. Crawford was the teacher.

## TYPING II

Six Seniors made up the Typing II class this year. With speed and accuracy drills, several budgets of telegrams and letters were typed. The "Gem Tiger" school paper was put out by this class monthly. Mr. Crawford was the teacher.

## AMERICAN HISTORY

As the name applies, this is the history of America from the time it came in to being up to the present time. This class consisted of six Seniors and two Juniors, with Mr. Patterson as the teacher.

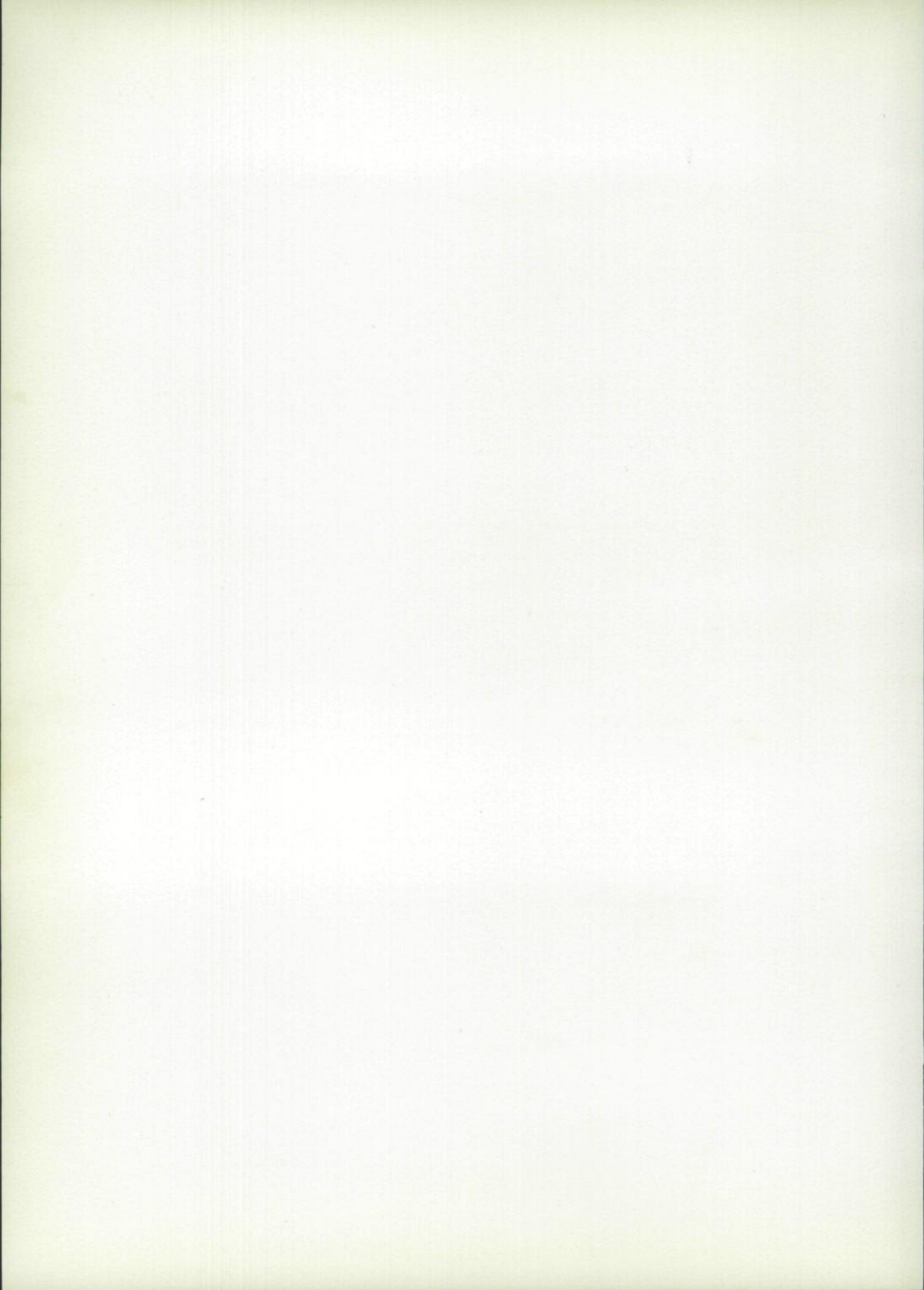
## WORLD HISTORY

World history is the story of man and his way of living from the beginning up to the present time. The Freshman and Sophomores took this course, with Mr. Crawford as the teacher.

## AMERICAN HISTORY

The second period after dinner found the Juniors and Seniors hard at work learning more about government and its functions. American Government is the study of our institutions and functions of government. Beginning the second semester we took Psychology. Psychology is the study of human behavior. It was a very interesting subject.







## High School Classes Cont'd.

### GENERAL SCIENCE

As the name applies it is a science in general. It is an introductory course to all other sciences. Some work in the sciences such as Biology, Chemistry, Psychology, is included in this course. The Freshmen and Sophomores took this course with Mr. Patterson as teacher.

### ALGEBRA

The Algebra class of 53-54 consisted of twelve Sophomores and Freshmen, six boys and six girls. We used two texts supplemented with tests and drills. Algebra is a mathematical science which bolsters our arithmetical process and prepares us for higher courses in the field of math, such as Geometry and Trigonometry.

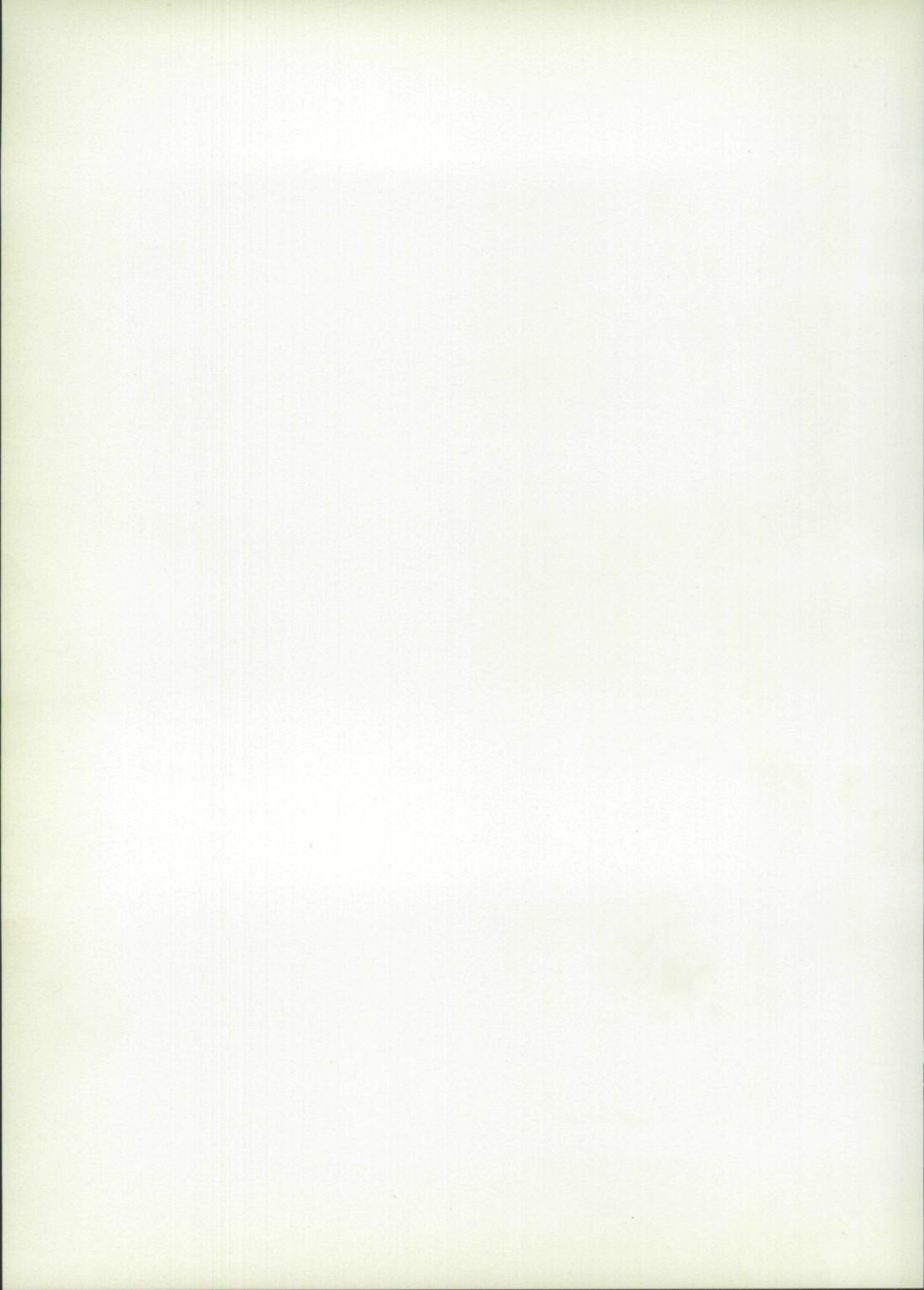
### ENGLISH I,II,III

English classes studied grammar, read literature, made book reports, and wrote paragraphs, essays and short reports. We alternated each six weeks the study of grammar and literature. English I class supplemented the English in Action text book with work books.

### INDUSTRIAL ARTS

There were just four studious pupils in Industrial art class this year, two boys and two girls with Mr. Patterson as the teacher. P.K.'s project was a mahogany chest and a lawn chair while Vernon worked on a desk. Carl made a boat while Rose worked on a maple book case.







# H i g h S c h o o l

# C l a s s e s



Mr. Crawford



Mr. Patterson



English III

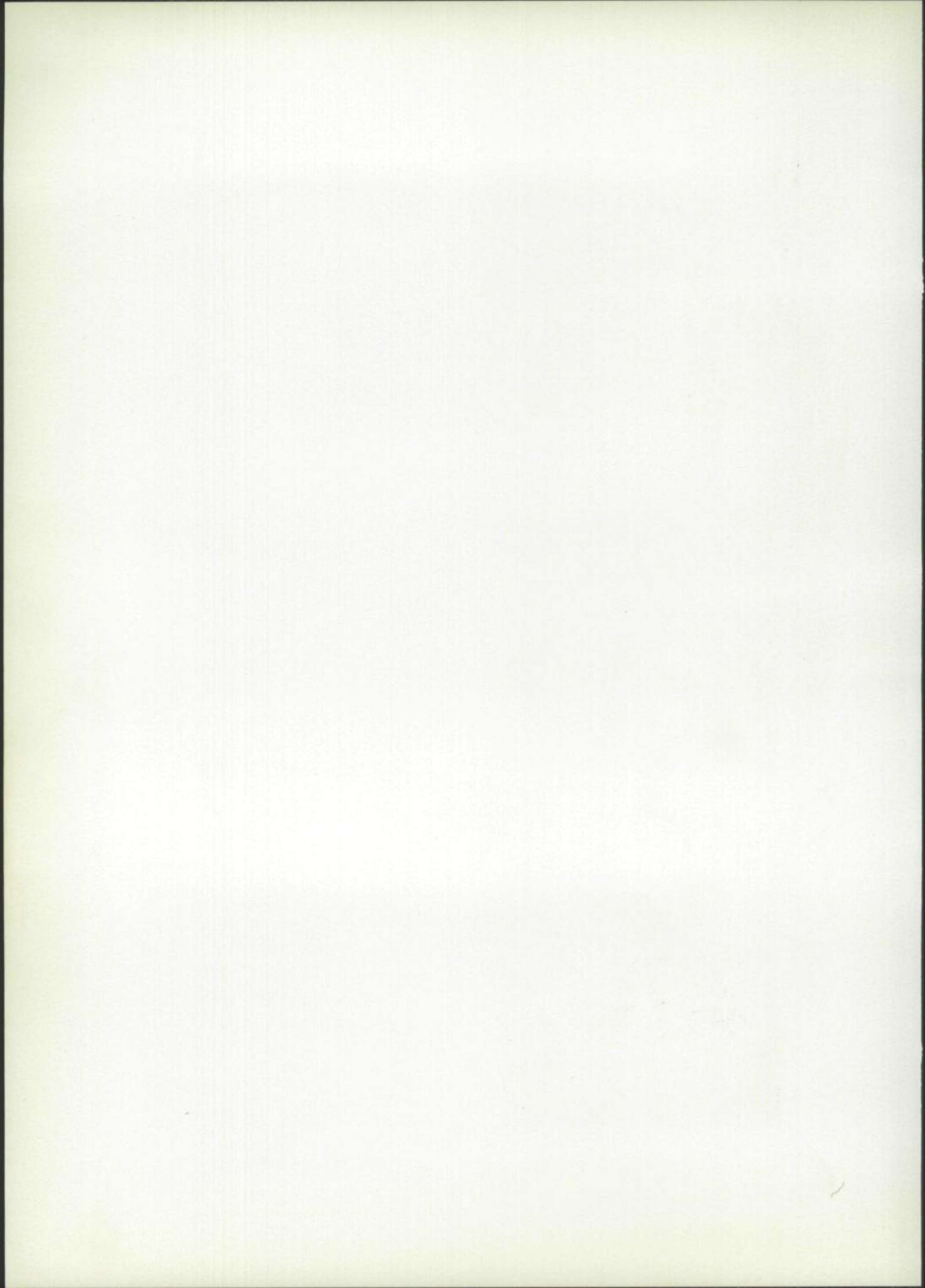


English I



General Science









American History



World History



Algebra



Psychology



English II



Typing II







Chemistry



Geometry



Typing I



Industrial Arts



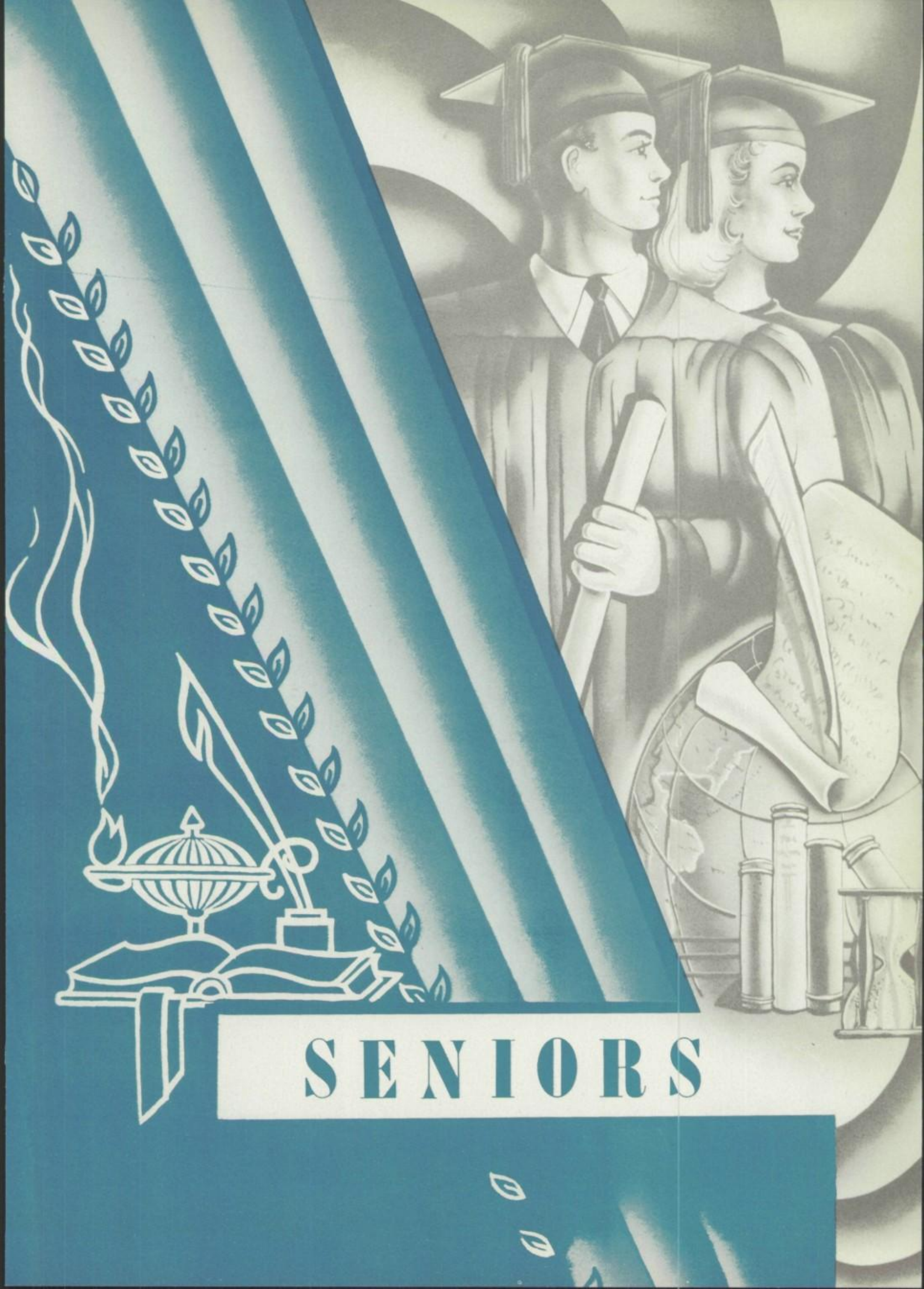
Girls Glee Club



Boys Glee Club







# SENIORS







# SENIOR CLASS



Betty Lou Mentlick

Glee Club.....	1-2-3-4
Triple Trio.....	3
Band (Tenor Saxophone).....	1-2-3-4
Basketball.....	1
Volleyball.....	1
Annual Staff.....	4
School Paper.....	4
Plays and Operettas.....	1-2-3-4
Student Council.....	4
Vice President.....	1
Secretary-Treasurer.....	2
Treasurer.....	3

Phyllis Kay Bugbee

Glee Club.....	1-2-3-4
Triple Trio.....	3
Band (Baritone).....	1-2-3-4
Basketball.....	1-2-3-4
Volleyball.....	1-2-3-4
Softball.....	1-2-3-4
Annual Staff.....	4
School Paper.....	4
Plays and Operettas.....	1-2-3-4
Vice President.....	2-4
Secretary.....	1-3



Rose Mae Burke

Glee Club.....	1-2-3-4
Band (Snare Drum).....	1-2-3-4
Basketball.....	2-3-4
Volleyball.....	2-3-4
Softball.....	2-3-4
Annual Staff.....	4
School Paper.....	4
Plays and Operettas.....	1-2-3-4
President.....	3
Treasurer.....	1
Secretary.....	4









Elizabeth Lauretta Miller

Glee Club.....	1-2-3-4
Y-Teens.....	1
Basketball.....	1-2-3-4
Volleyball.....	1-2-3-4
Softball.....	2-3-4
Annual Staff.....	4
School Paper.....	4
Plays and Operettas.....	4

Vernon Lee Flanagin

Glee Club.....	1-2-3-4
Band (Cornet).....	1-2-3-4
Basketball.....	1-2-3-4
Volleyball.....	1-2-3-4
Baseball.....	3-4
Annual Staff.....	4
School Paper.....	4
Plays and Operettas.....	1-2-3-4
Student Council.....	3
President.....	1-2



Carl Edward Mellor

Glee Club.....	1-2-3-4
Basketball.....	1-2-3-4
Volleyball.....	1-2-3-4
Baseball.....	3-4
Annual Staff.....	4
School Paper.....	4
Plays and Operettas.....	1-2-3-4
President.....	4





### SENIOR CLASS

We the Seniors of 1953-54 enrolled in Gem Consolidated High-School in the year of 1950. We were then as follows: Betty Lou Mentlick, Phyllis Kay Bugbee, Rose Mae Burke, Betty Ruth Hopson, Vernon Lee Flanigin, Kenneth Dean Havice, and Carl Edward Mellor.

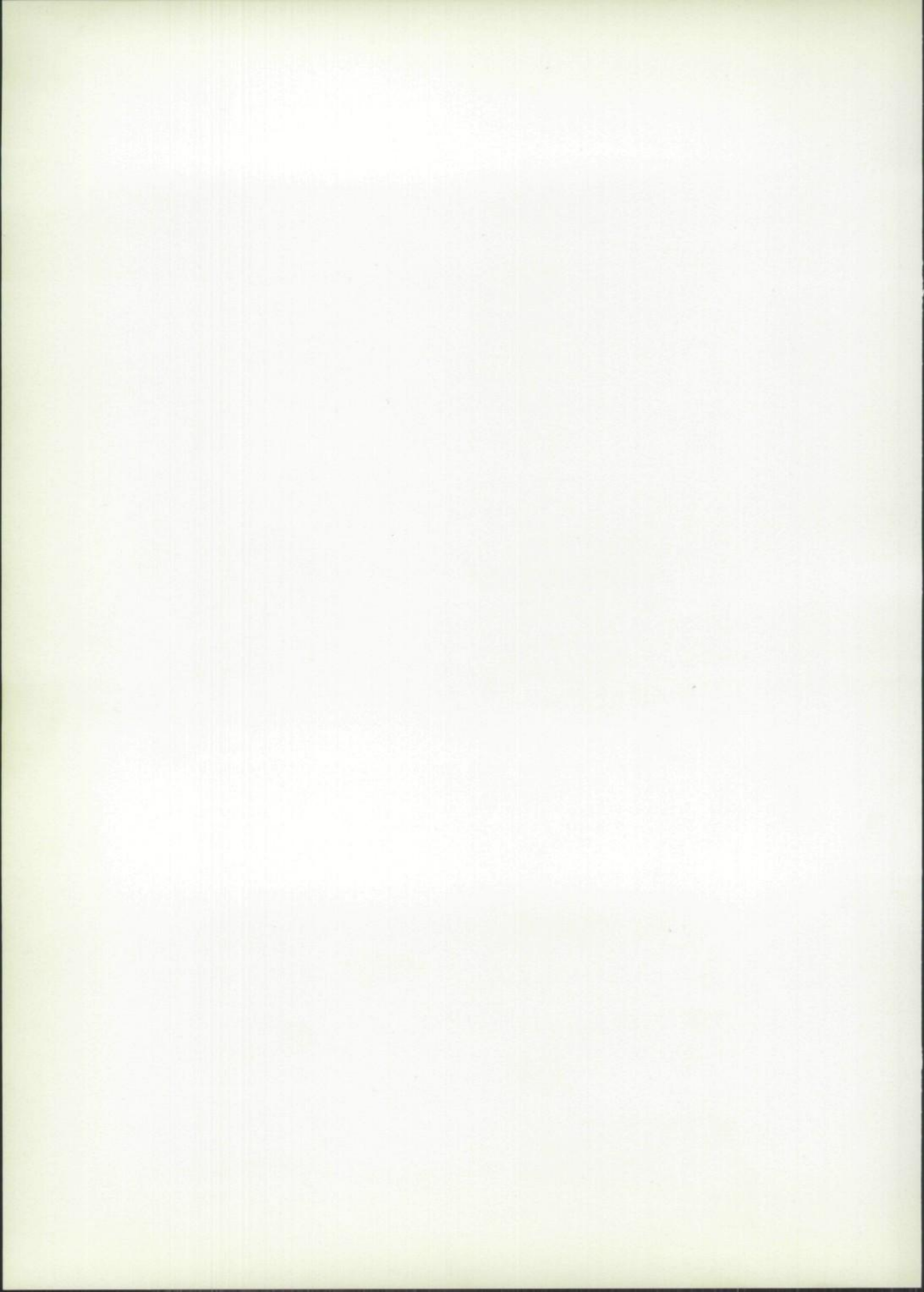
Our Sophomore year, we were the same except we lost Kenneth Havice, and gained Elizabeth Miller. The Freshman Class was small that year, so we let them off with a light initiation, with the agreement that we would help them initiate the Freshman Class the next year. This worked well since they were a large class and the Sophomores needed our assistance.

Our Junior year we were composed of the same group as we were the preceeding year. We took out our wrath on the Freshman Class, that was seething for two years, according to the agreement we made with the Sophomore Class.

Our Senior year, we were sorry to lose Betty Hopson. This year we are busy with the annual and school paper. We also are heavily engaged in serving at games. We are actively participating in the Junior-Senior Play. All of us are looking forward to our Senior Sneak, we have invited Robert Lee Sadler of the Junior Class to go along with us.

Vernon and Phyllis are the only students of our class that have gone through school at Gem all the way from the first grade.

Looking back on the years we have gone through school together it has not been as difficult as it has seemed at times. We have accomplished what we set out to do and much hard work is now behind us.





### CLASS WILL

We, the Senior Class of 1953-54, of the city of Gem County of Thomas, and State of Kansas, being of sound mind and memory hereby make this our last will and testament.

First, to the Juniors we leave our row in the study hall and the name as Seniors.

To the Sophomores we leave all our wasted study halls maybe they could get something done.

To the Freshmen we leave all our pencil stubs and our years of school.

To the faculty we leave our appreciation for their help in our years in school.

Second, our remaining chattels with which we regret fully part.

I Betty, will all my old dates to Elta Mae, and may she have more fun with them than I did.

I P.Kay, will my ability to silliness to Mary Beth because she has such a good start.

I Elizabeth, will all the dates I didn't get to Darlene.

I Carl, will all my height to Fred Loseke.

I Rose Mae, will my good advice on boys to Evelyn W. she needs it!

Vernon and Carl cheerfully will all the missed baskets to the underclassmen.

I Betty, will my atheletic ability to Ronnie B. in hope that he will be a great professional star.

I P.Kay, will my temper to Bob since he never gets mad.

I Elizabeth, will my ability to woo men at carnivals to Doreen.

I P.Kay, will my ability to Mary Lee on how to get to know boys.

I Carl, will my typing errors to the next class with the hope that they can conquer them better than I did.

Vernon wills a few of his extra pounds to David who is in need of them.

I Betty, will my ability to get along with the teachers to anyone who needs it.

I Carl, will my ability to work experiments that don't backfire to Mr. Patterson.

To anyone who wants them Vernon leaves all of his old test papers and scratch paper that may be left behind.

I Elizabeth, will my 8½ shoes to Bob Davis.

To Ward and Ronald H., Vernon leaves all the basketball plays which didn't work in hopes they will make them "Click"

We the Seniors of 1954 will all the old articles left in our desks to the oncoming classmen.

Signed this 13th day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand nineteen hundred and fifty-four.

Signed Elizabeth Miller

Carl E. Mellor

Vernon Flanagan

Rose Mae Buskel

Dee L. Burpee

Betty Wentzick





### CLASS PROPHECY

While I was aboard the Great Queen Mary on my way to Great Britian for the Coronation of 1964, there was a great commotion on deck and people were pulling someone aboard. There was frantic yelling. I dashed out of my cabin to see what was going on and lo-and-behold who should I see flouncing around on deck but Carl Mellor. Yes, he was swimming the Atlantic. I rushed over to him and I proudly said, "I do." as people were asking if anyone knew him. After all, not everyone can swim the Atlantic in four and a half days.

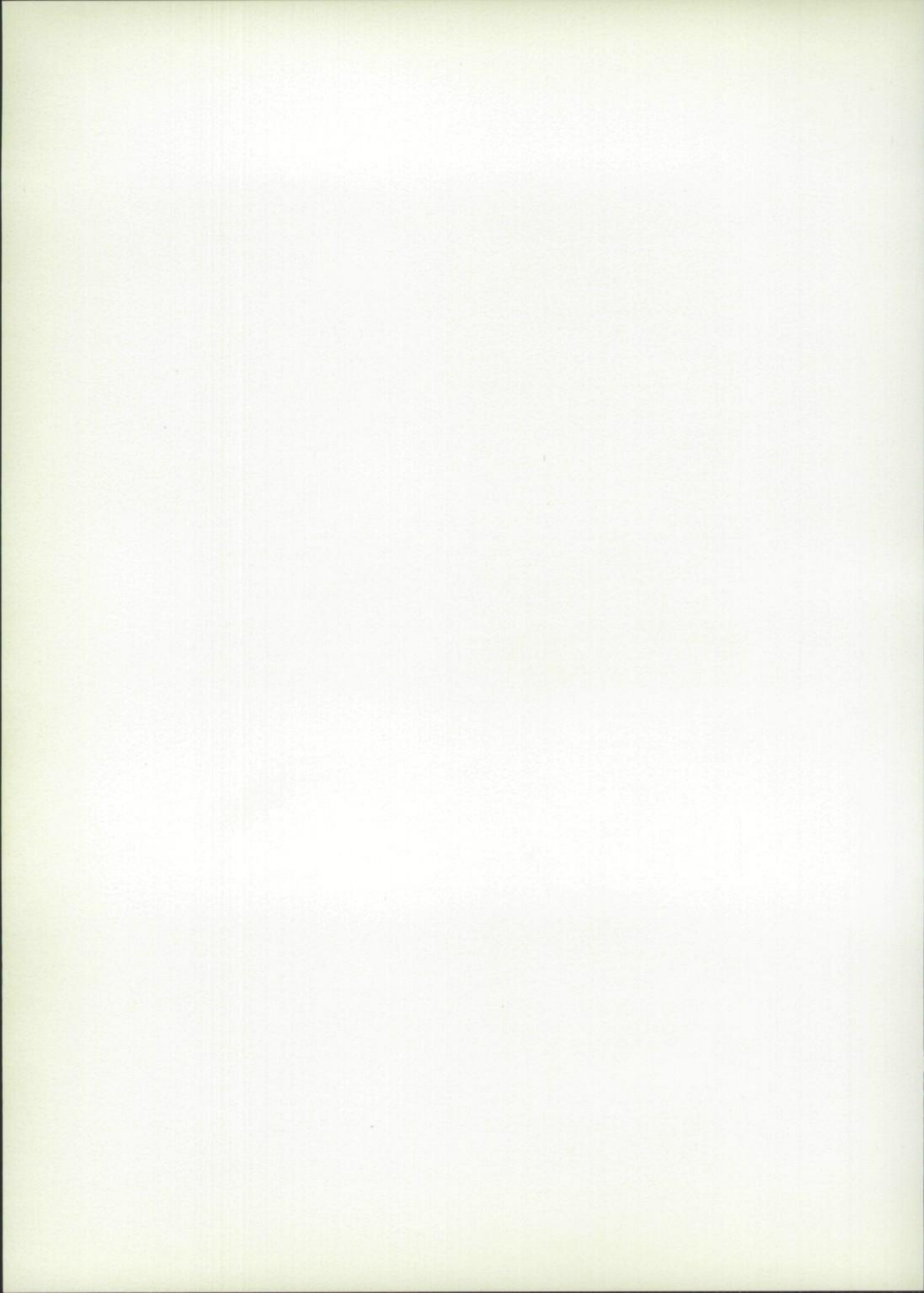
After Carl had gotten some warm clothes on and a bite to eat he came to my cabin and we had a most joyous visit. He told me he was swimming the Atlantic to prove to his beloved little wife, which by the way was the former Rita Smith, that he was good for someth ng besides splitting atoms and going to Mars every five years. I told him I was sure she would be proud of him. Carl and Rita are living 16 miles north of Wichita and have three adorable children. As time passed on I asked Carl to join me for the Coronation. He said he'd be delighted.

After two more days of sailing we reached the coast of England where Carl and I were taken to the most fabulous hotel in London. It was the largest either of us had ever seen, but when we saw the huge neon light flashing off and on telling the name, Carl and I were both amazed. The sign read, "Flanagin Hotel," 1000 rooms, a bath in each room for only \$20 a night and \$15 for single rooms. This was very reasonable we thought, so off we went to seek the manager. When we asked to see the manager, we were sent to a luxurious room with carpets approximately six inches deep and velvet drapes hanging from ceiling to floor. As we were gazing around, a tall, dark man came in and in his fully developed masculine voice said, "Yes, what may I do for you?" As Carl and I turned we found him to be no one but the one and only architect, Vernon Flanagin who designed his own hotel and he gets a fabulous sum yearly for his work. We were all three very elated over our long lost acquaintance and visited and discussed for over two hours. Carl and I both were surprised to hear that Vernon wasn't married yet. He said, "Oh it's not that I haven't had plenty of chances and even proposals, but I've never really had much time. "However, when Dianna Lynn was over here making her new picture, 'Love Is Where You Find It', we had a most lovely time together. As Vernon kept on talking we found out he and Dianna were to be married in the fall of 1968 which was his turn to go to the states. He always made the trip every two years.

As I glanced at my watch, I noticed it was only two and a half hours before the Coronation and I told the boys I really must be leaving. Carl asked if I would please excuse him if he didn't go but thought he would stay and go with Vernon. I said that would be fine.

Finally, two and half hours later as I seated myself on a ring side seat for the Coronation and awaited the big moment, who should I see seated in front of me two rows but Mrs. Charles Rudolph Chamberland Jr. (the former Rose Mae Burke) waving frantically to draw my attention. Immediately I was saying excuse me a dozen times clambering over people to reach Rosie. It was so good to see her again after nine long years.







I asked her what in the world she was doing here and she answered me assuredly, "Oh, Charles is leading the queen in and I have to be here to throw him a kiss." She told me she had been married to Charles for four years and had two little boys that were just adorable. They played with the queen's little boys all the time. She seemed very happy and when I saw her husband I could easily see why!

Trumpets shounded now announcing the approaching of the queen who was dressed in a most exquisite white satin gown covered with diamonds and pearls. As Rosie and I sat visiting, they were describing the ceremony and the costumes she and her royal highness wore. When they announced the designer of the queen's dress, Rosie and I were both surprised and asked each other if we had heard right, for they had announced that the great Madame F1 F1 Lou Mentlick had designed it. As the designer took a bow we could see her red hair glistening in the bright London sunlight and we knew immediately it was our long lost classmate, Betty (Red) Mentlick. Rosie and I could hardly wait until the reception to talk with her. Finally, after two or three hours of weary setting the Coronation was over and the reception was getting under way. Betty came up, stood in front of us and was looking all around. I gently tapped her on the shoulder and she quickly turned around. Rosie and I both said, "Hi, Red!" Betty was speechless as she began excitedly telling us what had happened to her within the last ten years. She told us she ran the most exclusive dress shop in London and also had one in Paris. She said she did all of her own modeling which Rosie and I noticed she hadn't lost any of her graceful curves but had put on a little weight around her hips. We each told her our happenings during our last ten years of absence.

Well enough of that, Alas, the reception program is under way and the velvet curtains slowly draw apart and there before our eyes was none but Elizabeth Miller. Oh 'Lizzie' was most enchanting. She had lost approximately 35 pounds and she was a most graceful ballet dancer, so light on her feet. We watched for only a short time it seemed when it was intermission. We went backstage to congratulate her. She was glad to see us and we were glad to find out she was married to a wealthy millionaire. She's very happy both with her ballet dancing and her marriage. She said she was going on tour of the United States within another month and had intended to look us up, that is those who she still kept in touch. A man came in and announced tea was served so we all went out to tea.

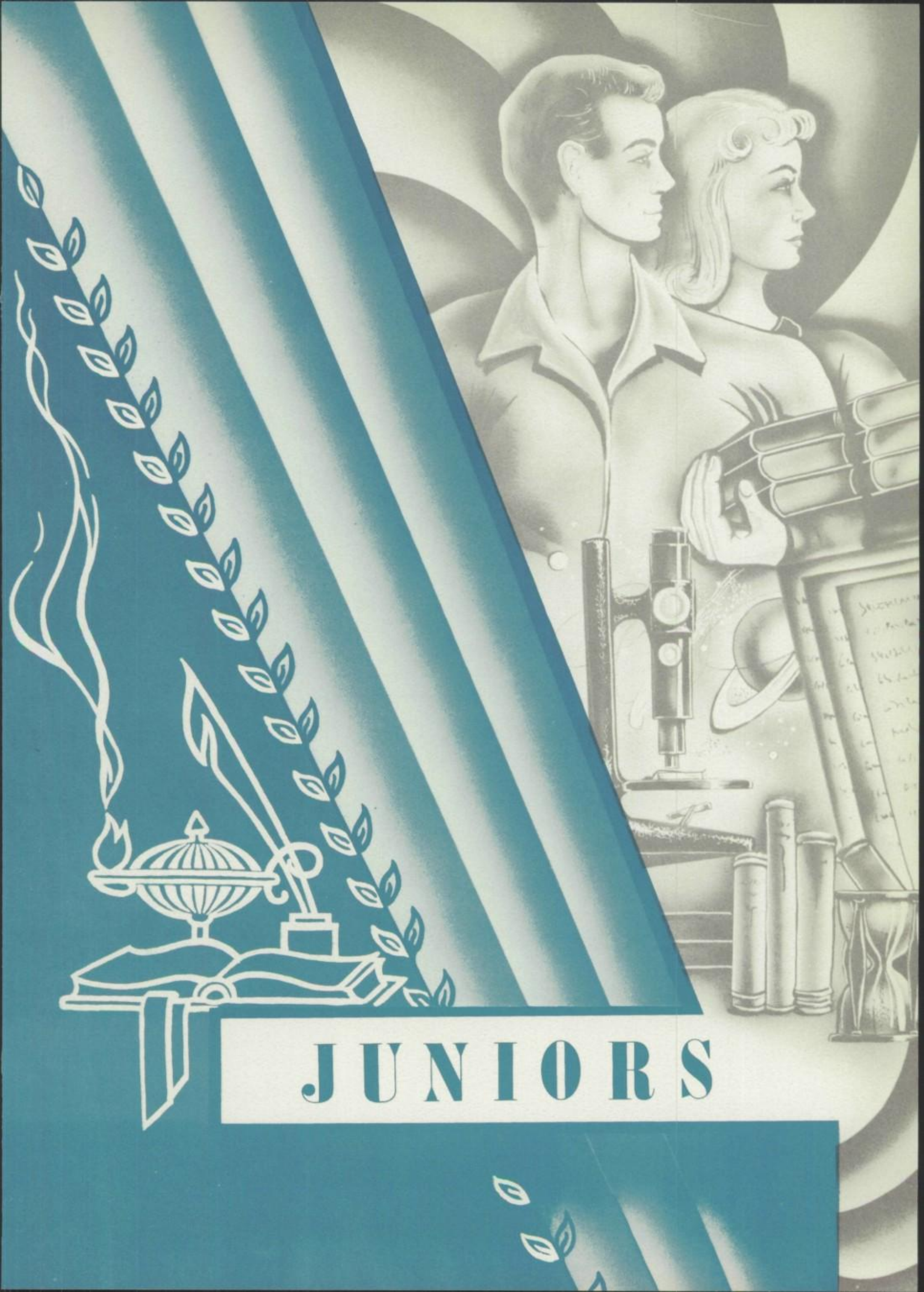
After tea, it was getting late so I told the girls I must be going because I had a dinner appointment. I was so glad I had seen all of them and now had their addresses, was sure we could all keep better contact with each other during the next ten years.

As I walked out in the cool of the evening, I had memories renewed and new ones acquired which I shall never forget of the years with my six wonderful classmates.



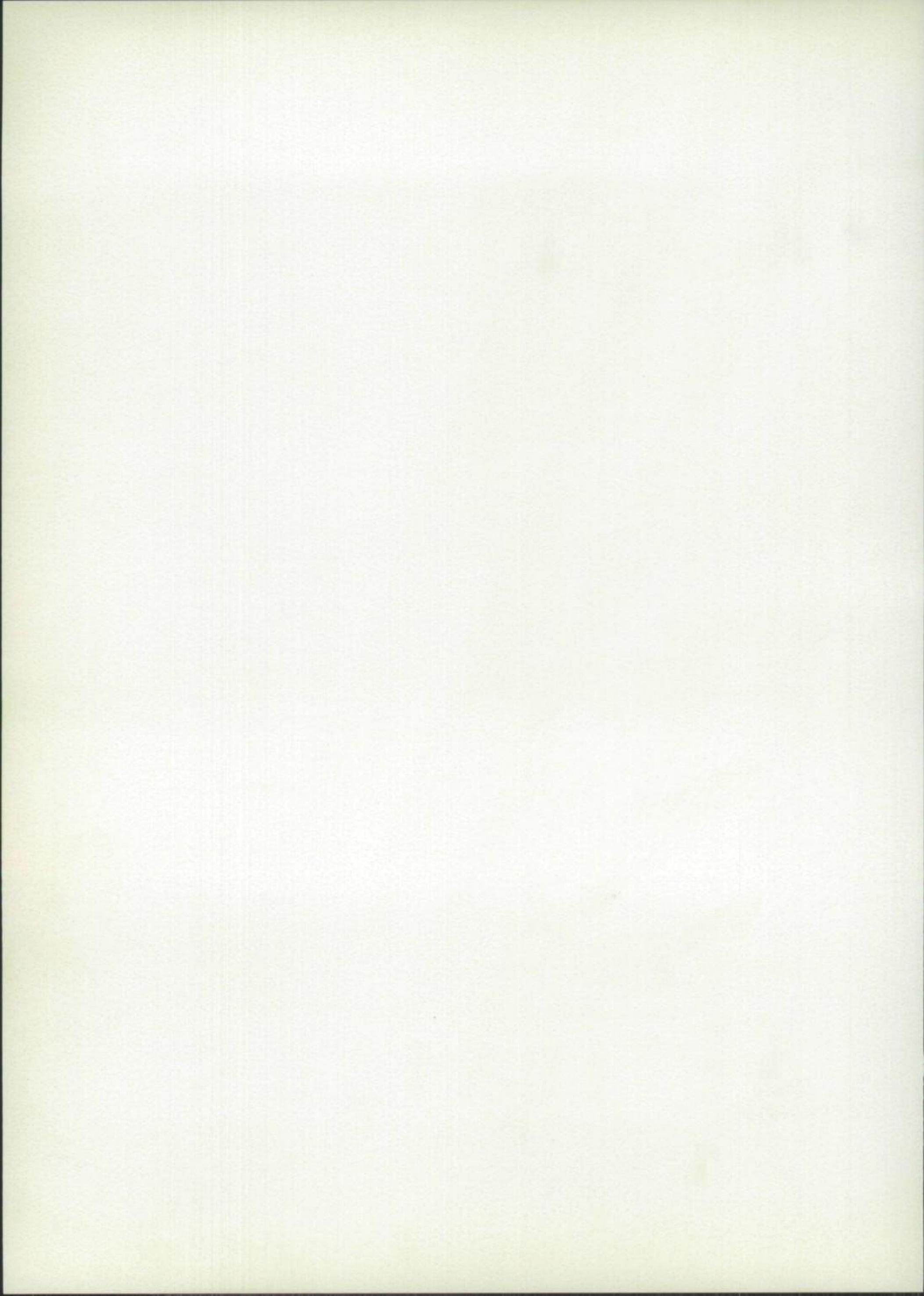






# JUNIORS







# Junior Class



Bobby S.



Darlene D.

We had two Juniors this year. They were Darlene Davis and Robert (Bob) Saddler.

Darlene sang second soprano in Girls Glee Club. Bob sang bass in Boys Glee Club. He took lessons on the bass horn the second semester and was in Band.

Bob went with the Seniors to Hays in December on a physical education field trip.

The Juniors and Seniors were a joint class this year. The Seniors helped the Juniors in the lunch room and sold Christmas cards. Then the Juniors split the funds and Bob went on the Senior sneak. The Sophomores helped the Juniors with the Senior Banquet.

We took part in the Junior--Senior play, Amateur Hour, and other activities. Also we enjoyed our school parties each month. In sports, Bob took active part in baseball, volleyball, and basketball.

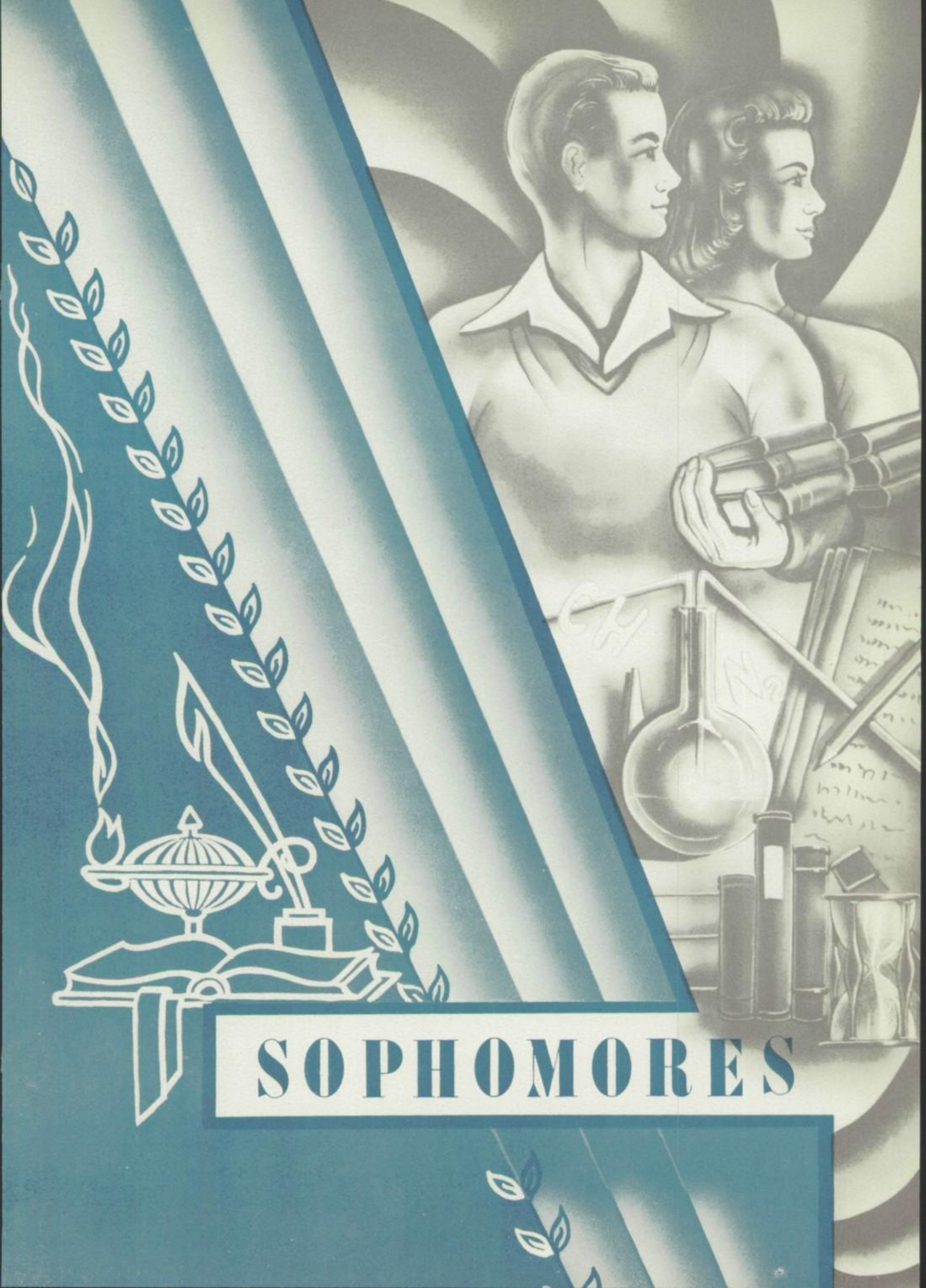
To add to our funds we sold magazines and Bob was the leading salesman in the school having sold \$73.00 worth of magazines. The complete class sold \$101.00 of which \$44.90 was our share.

## Class officers:

Bob---President, Student Council Member  
Darlene-Vice President, Secretary-Treasurer and Reporter

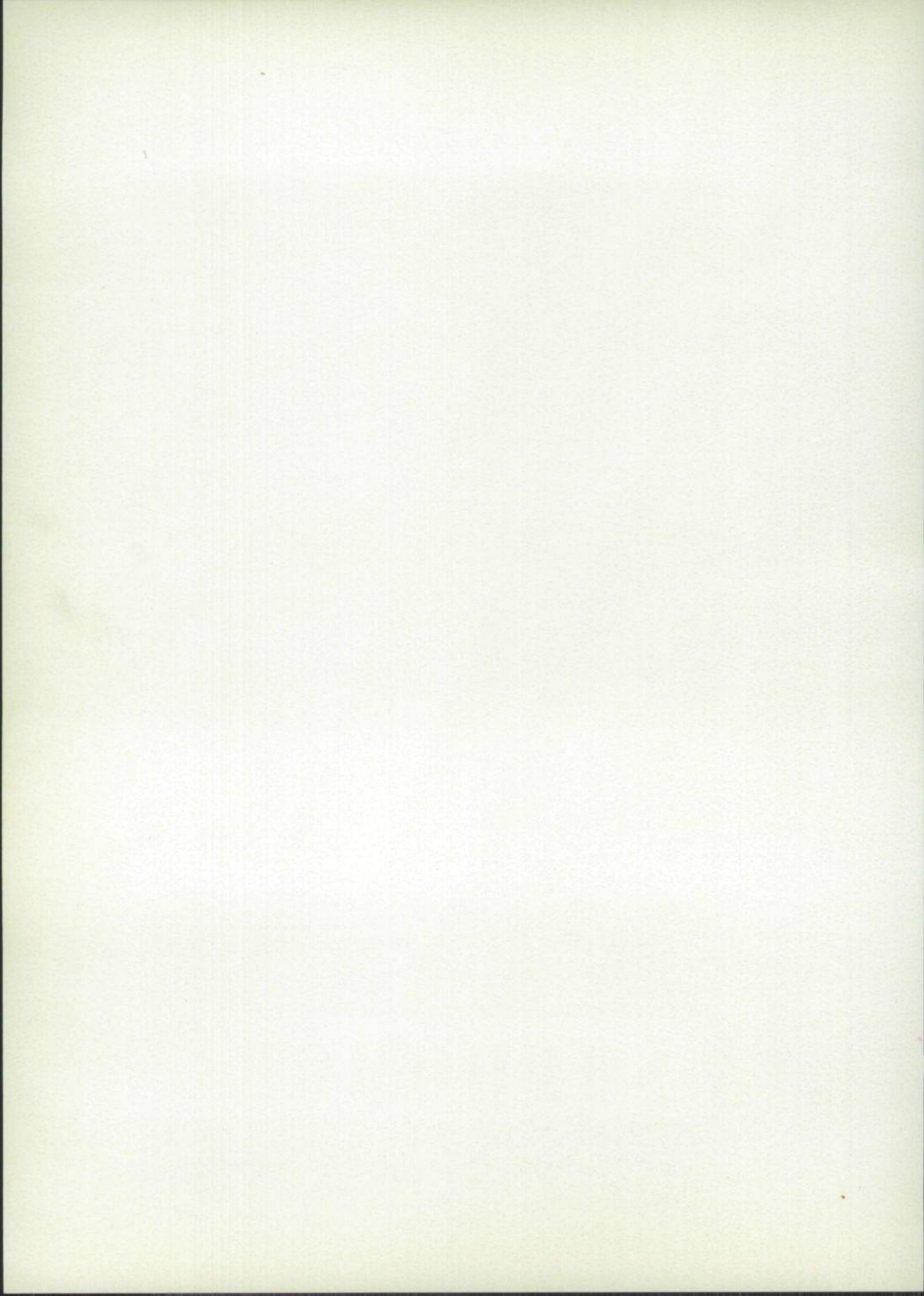






# SOPHOMORES







# Sophomore Class



Mary Beth Z.



Mary Lee T.



Marilyn P.



Doreen G.



Fred L.



Beverley T.



Ronnie B.

The Sophomore Class of 1954 enrolled on August 31 with six industrious and ambitious students. The class officers were: Marilyn Poland, President; Fred Loseke, Vice President; Dorreen Graham, Secretary-Treasurer; Ronald Barnett, Student Council Member; Mary Lee Treat and Mary Beth Class Reporter. Later in the year Beverley Turner joined us. We choose Miss Haygood as our class sponsor.

Our subjects were: World History; General Science; English II; and Algebra. The second semester we decided to take Psychology with the Juniors and Seniors.

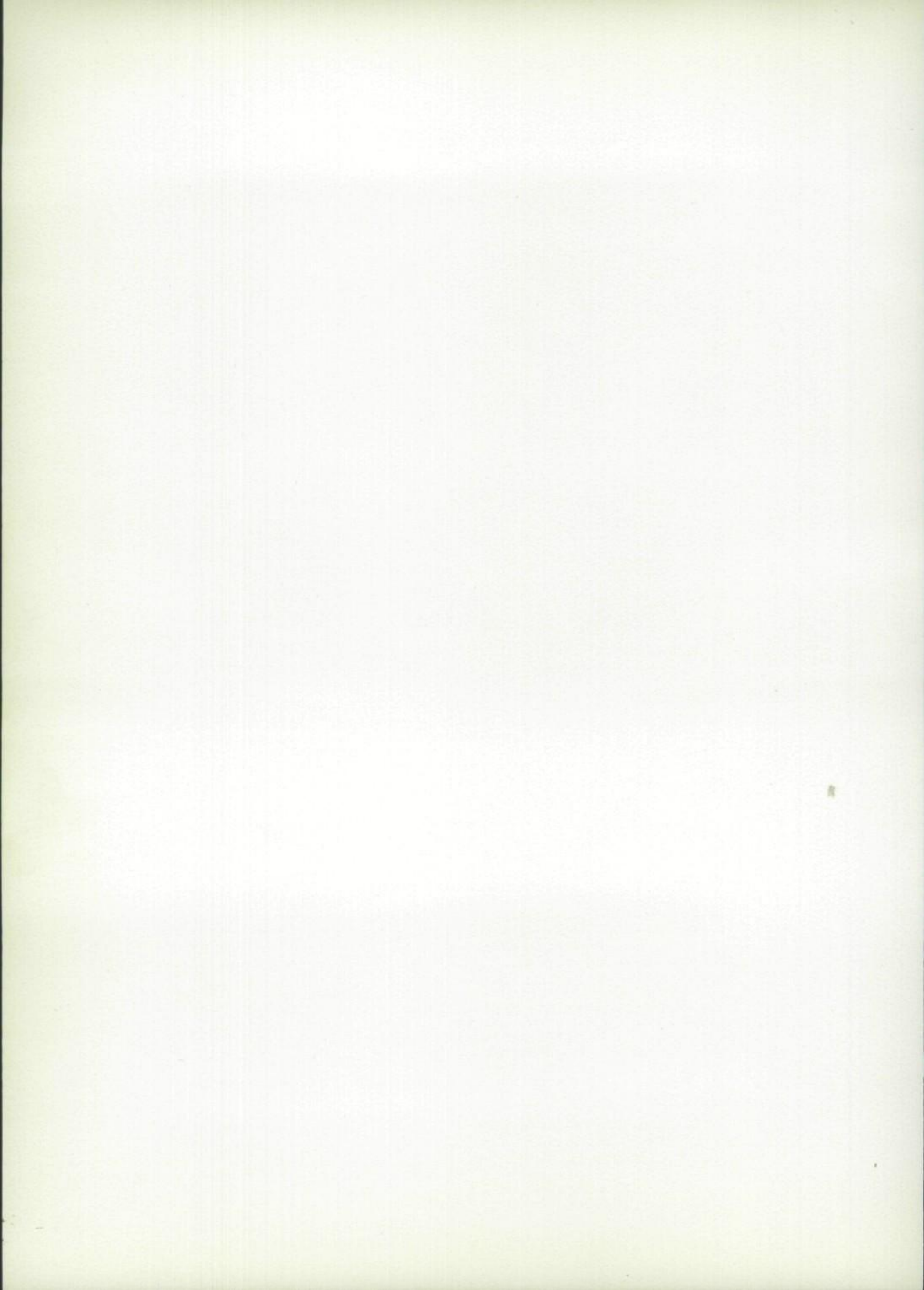
The first semester we were all members of Band; Mary Lee, Clarinet; Doreen, Bell Lyre; Marilyn, Flute; Mary Beth and Ronnie, Coronet; Fred Bass Drum. We are all members of Glee Club as follows; Marilyn, pianist; Dorreen, alto; Mary Lee, I Soprano; and Mary Beth, II Soprano. The second semester Ronnie dropped out of band and only Fred enrolled in Glee Club.

We took part in: baseball; softball; volleyball; and basketball. Some other activities were: Band Concerts; Amateur Hour; District Music Festival and others. We have enjoyed the school parties each month.

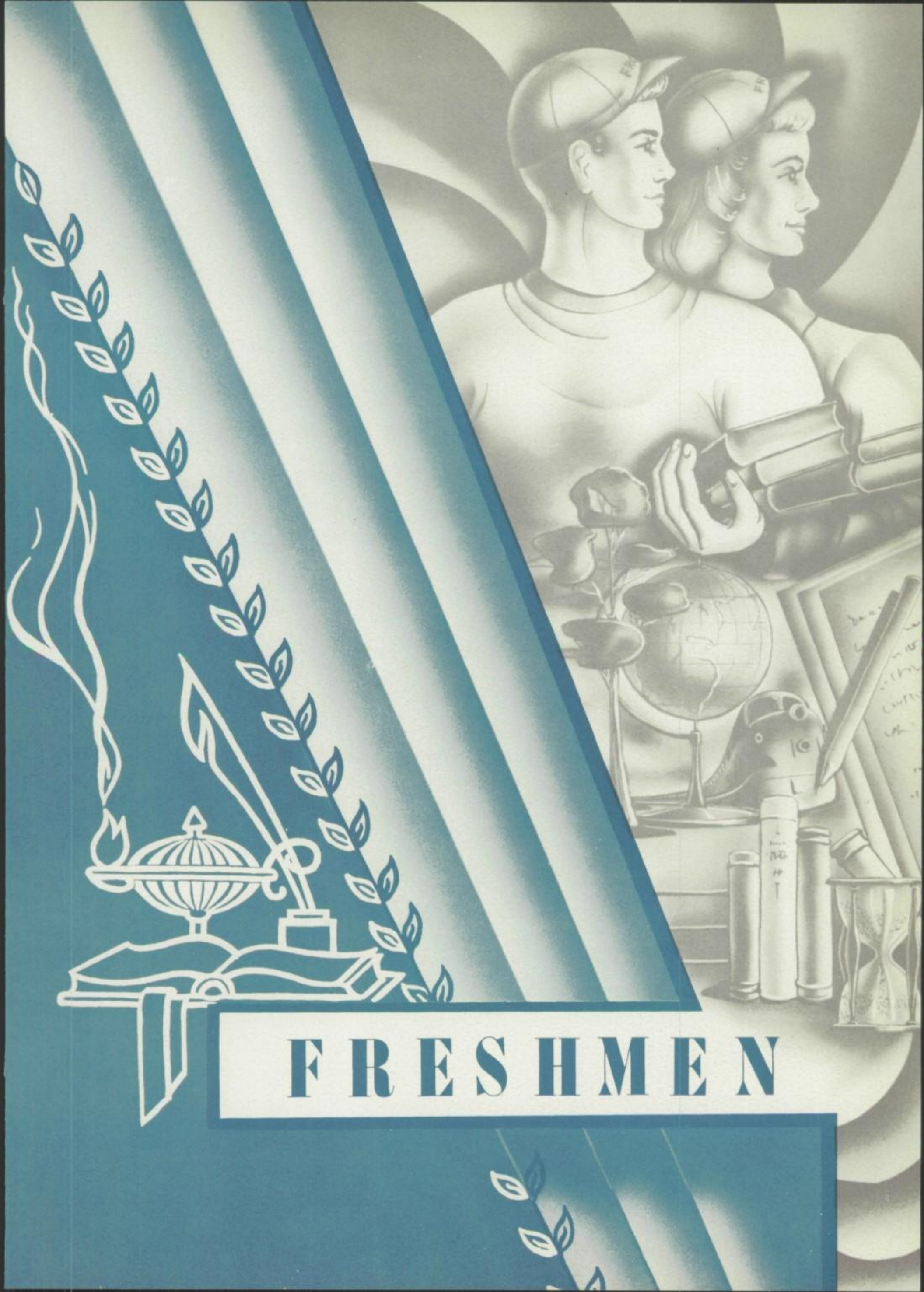
Mary Lee, Mary Beth and Dorreen were the cheerleaders in high school.

We helped sell magazines this year. We sold \$220.50 of which \$77.55 was our profit. We sold the most magazines of the four classes in high school.

The first semester Mary Beth and Dorreen were librarians of the high school library and the second semester Mary Lee and Marilyn.







# FRESHMEN







# Freshmen Class



Ward M.



Ronald H.



David M.



Bobby D.



Evelyn W.



Elta Mae D.

The Freshman class was assembled August 31 to begin four years of high school. Members of the class were: Evelyn Webb; Elta Mae Durham; Ward Munkres; Robert Davis; Ronald Higerd; and David Miller.

The first semester Ronald H igerd played the bass horn in band and the second semester he played the coronet. Elta Mae and Evelyn were members of the glee club, and both sang first soprano. They took very active part in the school programs. Ronald Higerd and Robert Davis were members of boys glee club.

Both girls and boys took active part in the following sports; baseball; softball; volleyball; and basketball. Some activities in which they participated were: Band Concert, Amateur Hour, and District Music Festival. We have enjoyed the monthly school parties.

We survived the initiation and are looking forward to next year when we can initiate the Freshman and get back some of the things on them

Class officers were:

Ronnie-----President  
David-----Vice President  
Elta Mae----Secretary Treasurer  
Evelyn-----Student Council Representative





SEVENTH AND EIGHTH GRADES



Marvin B.



Gary S.



Larry H.



John F.



Delbert G.



Jerry D.



Hulda H.



Rosa Lea T.



Connie S.



Larry B.



Katherine T.



Dorothy C.



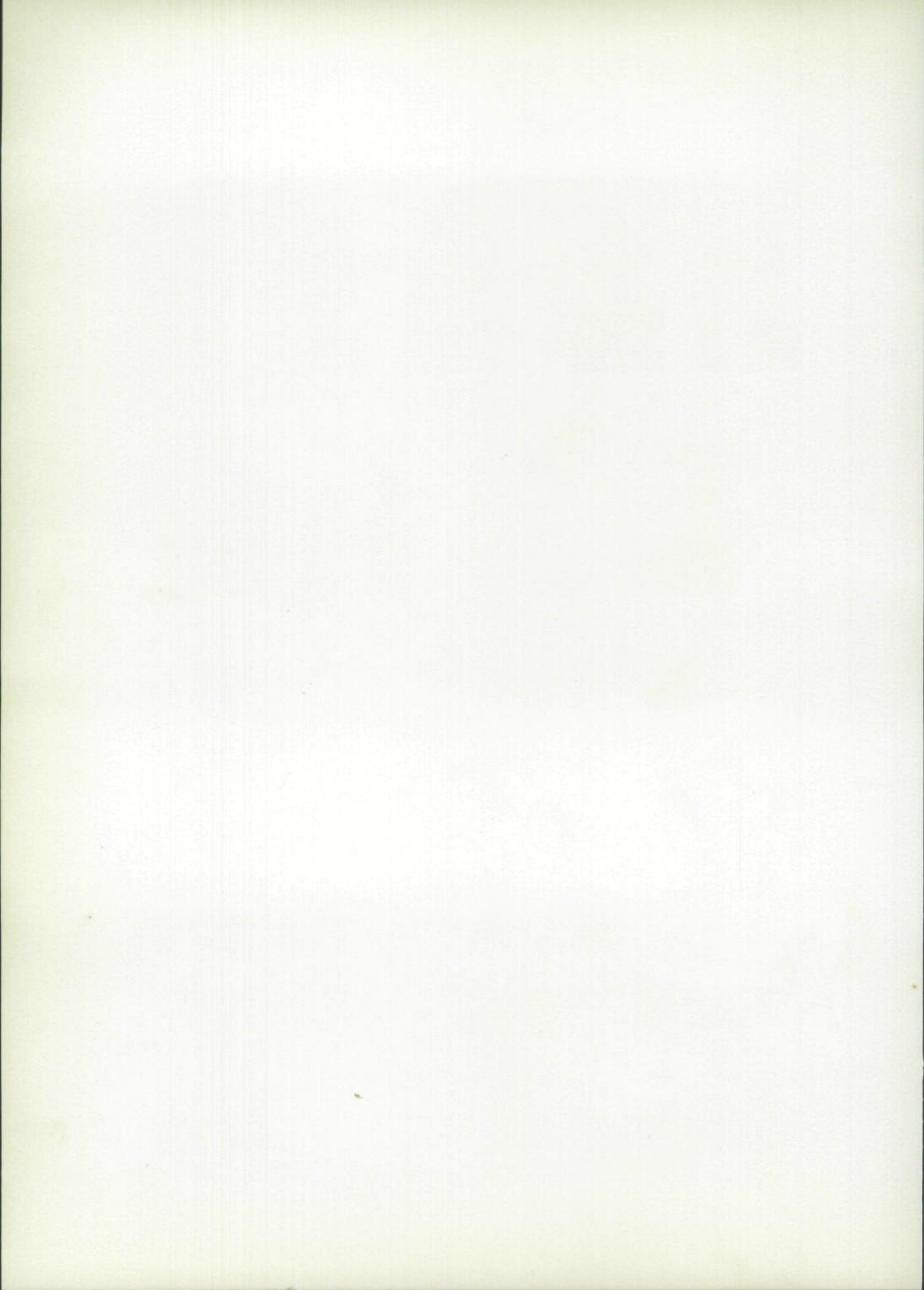
Verl H.



Betty H.



Toby S.





FIFTH AND SIXTH GRADES



Rita S.



Mary Lou C.



Ray C.



Colin C.



Freddie B.



Duane K.



James R.



Johnnie W.



Dean Z.



Colleen C.



Gary G.



Loretta H.



Yvonne R.



Earl T.



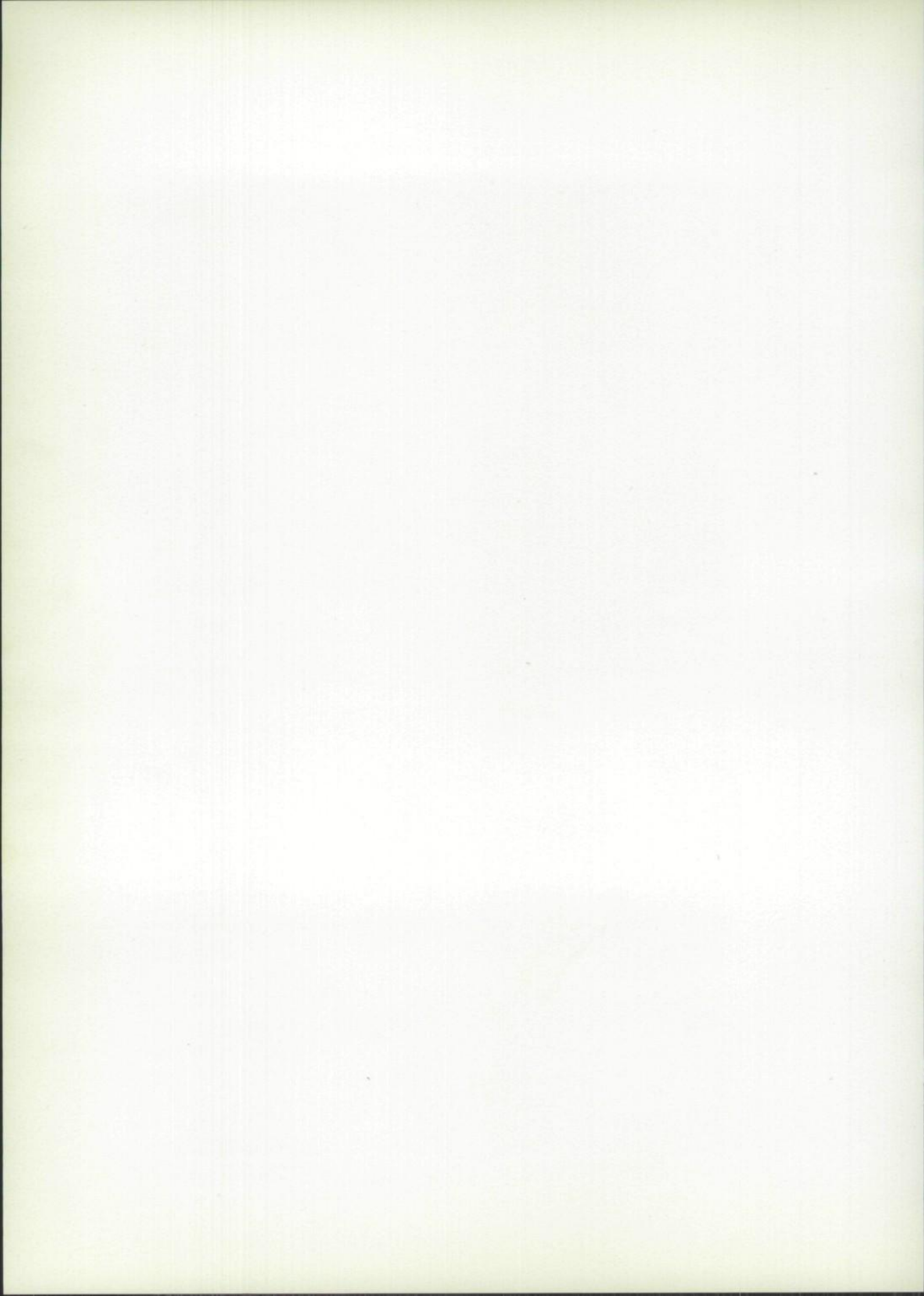
Linda W.



Patty W.



Margaret Z.





THIRD AND FOURTH GRADES



Juday H.



Evelyn J.



Carroll C.



Eugene H.



Larry C.



Billy G.



Billy B.



Carol N.



Patty S.



Carol Marie S.



Carl Z.



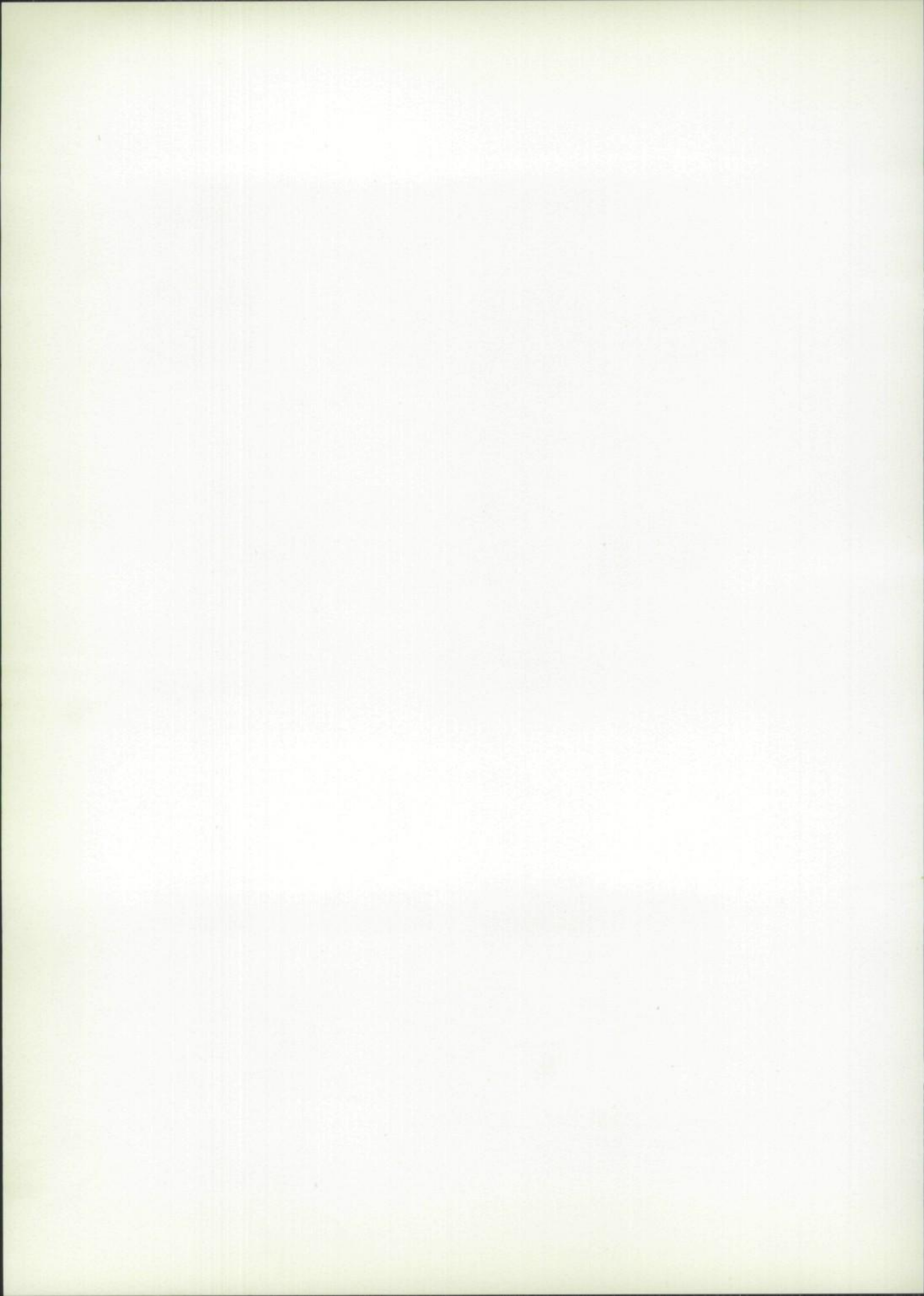
David H.



Jimmy S.



Dave T.





FIRST AND SECOND GRADES



Gary A.



Ivy R.



Raymond H.



Judy J.



Connie W.



Carlos S.



Dorothy F.



Sandra B.



Beth T.



Donnie C.



David B.



Sandre N.



Christine B.



Sandra T.



Jimmy P.





#### FIRST AND SECOND GRADES

There were fifteen children in our room the past year. The five pupils in the first grade were: Gary Adrian; Judy Jensen; Ivy Reed; Connie Willcox; and Raymond Haremza. The ten children in the second grade were: Dorothy Flanagan; Beth Treat; Jimmy Patterson; Sandra Trail; Sandra Bremerkamp; Sandra Neil; Carlos Saddler; Christine Benda; David Bond and Donald Crane.

Christine Benda and Carlos Saddler started with us at the first of the term, they came from Halford. David Bond moved here from Rexford and entered school January 18. Donnie Crane moved here from Colby and entered school January 28.

Our attendance was very regular except for a few days of flu and Christmas vacation outside of the state. We have enjoyed reading many books from our good library. We also had lots of fun celebrating holidays and birthdays during the year.

#### THIRD AND FOURTH GRADES

Last fall thirteen children enrolled in the third and fourth grades. There were six third graders and seven in the fourth grade.

We were glad to welcome Carroll Case, Eugene Houston; and Carol Saddler into our group. They had been attending school at Halford. At the end of January, Larry Crane enrolled in the third grade. He had been going to Colby to school. He was a welcome addition to our room.

We had a Halloween Party and a Valentine Party which we greatly enjoyed. Patty Sowers joined the band the second semester. All of the children were very regular in attendance throughout the entire year. Each birthday was celebrated with a small party. We spent many enjoyable hours together.

#### FIFTH AND SIXTH GRADES

School opened Aug. 31, 1953 with an enrollment of seventeen.

Eight pupils in the fifth grade were: Johnnie Weishaar; Duane Knudson; Ray Cochran; Freddie Bourquin; Dean Ziegemeier; Colin Case; Rita Saddler; and Jeff Reed. Ray came to us from St. Joseph Mo. and Colin from Halford.

In the sixth grade there were: Patty Wolfe; Loretta Higerd; Gary Graham; Yvonne Regnier; and Judy Young. Colleen came to us from Halford and Judy left us to go to Nebraska with her parents. Mrs. Souders was the teacher.





#### SEVENTH AND EIGHTH GRADES

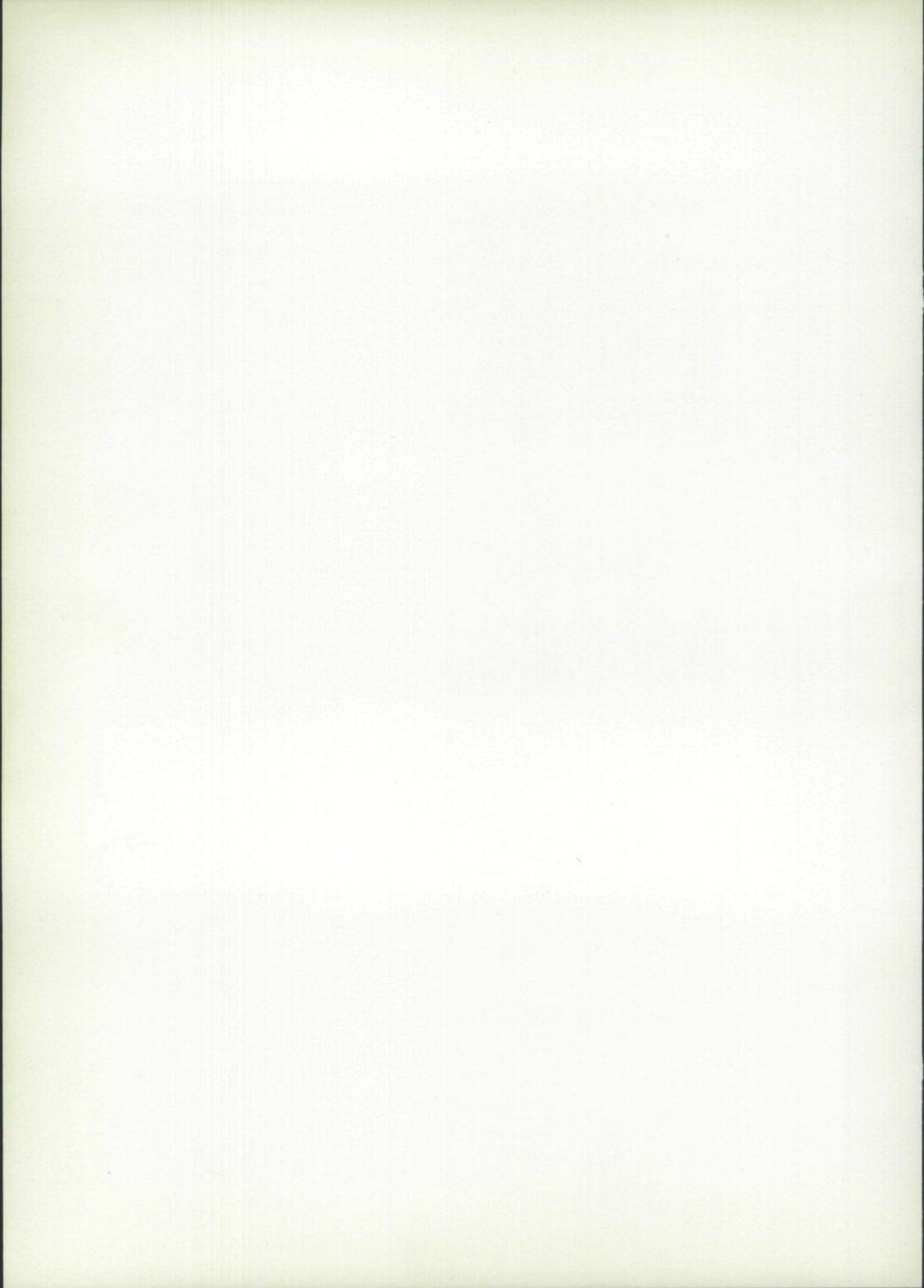
On August 31, 1953, school opened with fifteen pupils enrolled in our room. The eighth grade had six of the pupils: Larry Burke; Hulda Haremza; Verl Havice; Toby Skeers; Dorothy Cochran; and Kathrine Treat. Our Seventh grade had only two girls; Rosa Lea Trail and Betty Haremza, while the boys numbered seven: Marvin Barnett; Gary Saddler; Jerry Davis; John Flanagan; Larry Higerd; Delbert Graham and Connie Skeers. We were very sorry to lose the Skeers boys in November, when they moved to Colorado.

We participated in the programs for Education Week and Christmas, as well as furnished 9 band members who took part in the band concerts. Our girls are in the grade girls chorus.

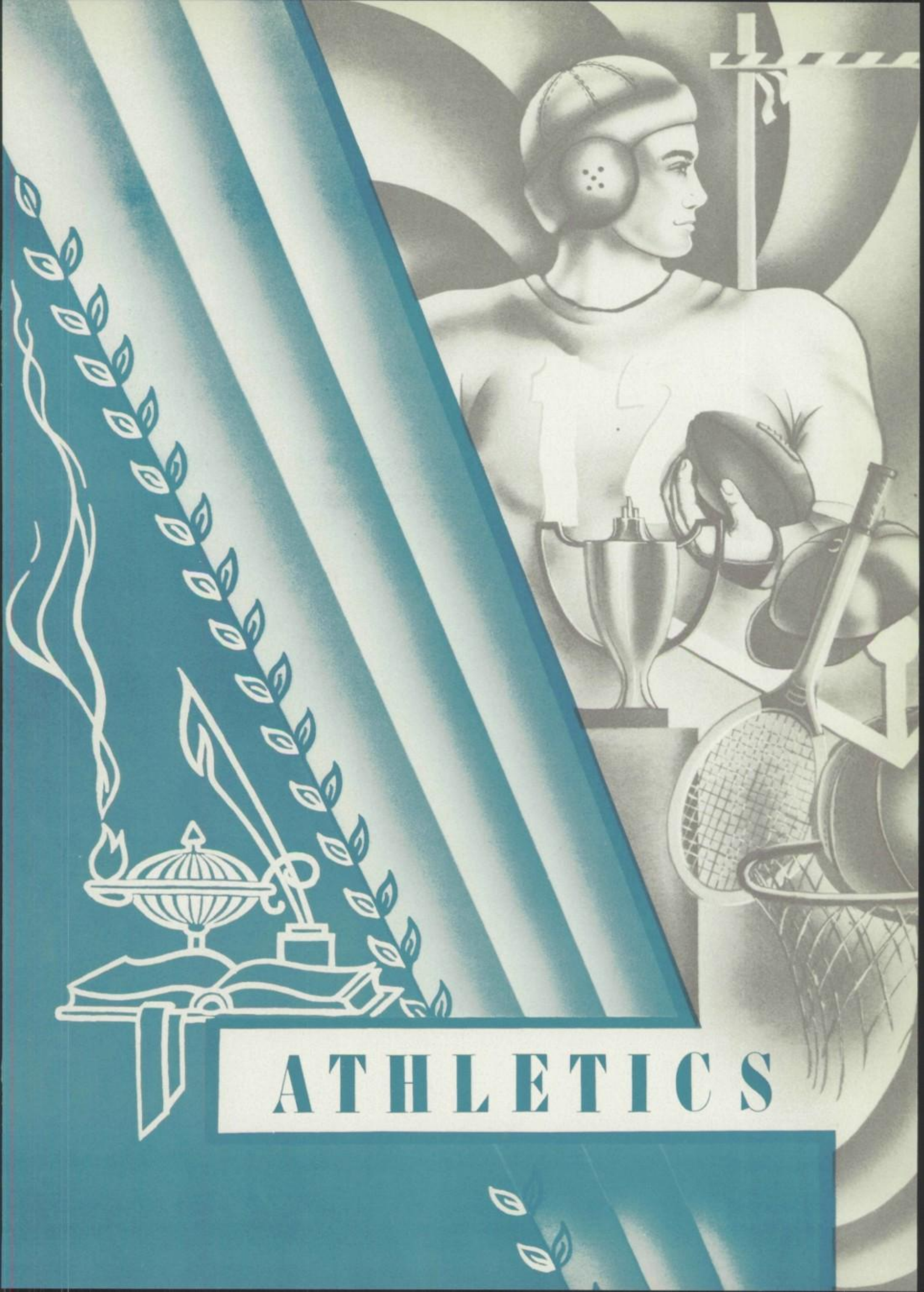
We have been active in Grade sports, although we failed to capture a trophy at the tournament held at Gem in January. We have not been a "push over" in either boys or girls games during the regular season.

In our academic work, we have done serious work, realizing how much we had to cover and how short our time really was. Both grades have covered both the seventh and eighth grade books, "Adventures in Reading," trying to gain reading ease and fluency in speech. We used work books in English, emphasizing sentence structure and parts of speech, and work books also in mathematics, to help us with the fundamentals. Grade seven has covered both Kansas Geography and Kansas History, while Grade Eight has concentrated on American History with our good text, "This is America's Story."

Altogether we feel we had a profitable and pleasant year, one to live long in memory. Mrs. Treat was our teacher.

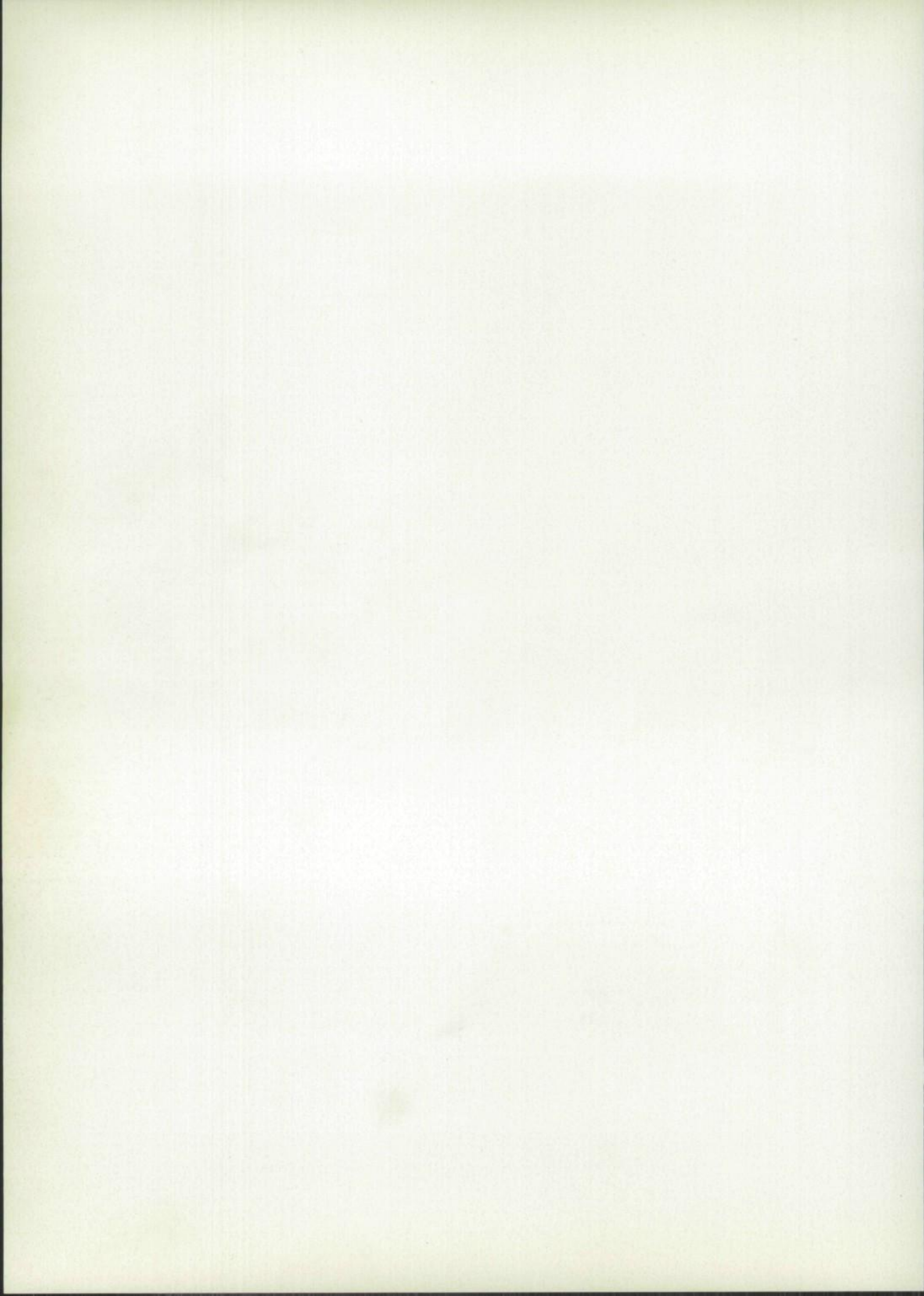






# ATHLETICS









Rose Mae Burke



Mary Ziegelmeier



Phyllis Bugbee



Elizabeth Miller



Doreen Graham



Mary Lee Treat



Evelyn Webb



Marilyn Poland



Beverly Turner



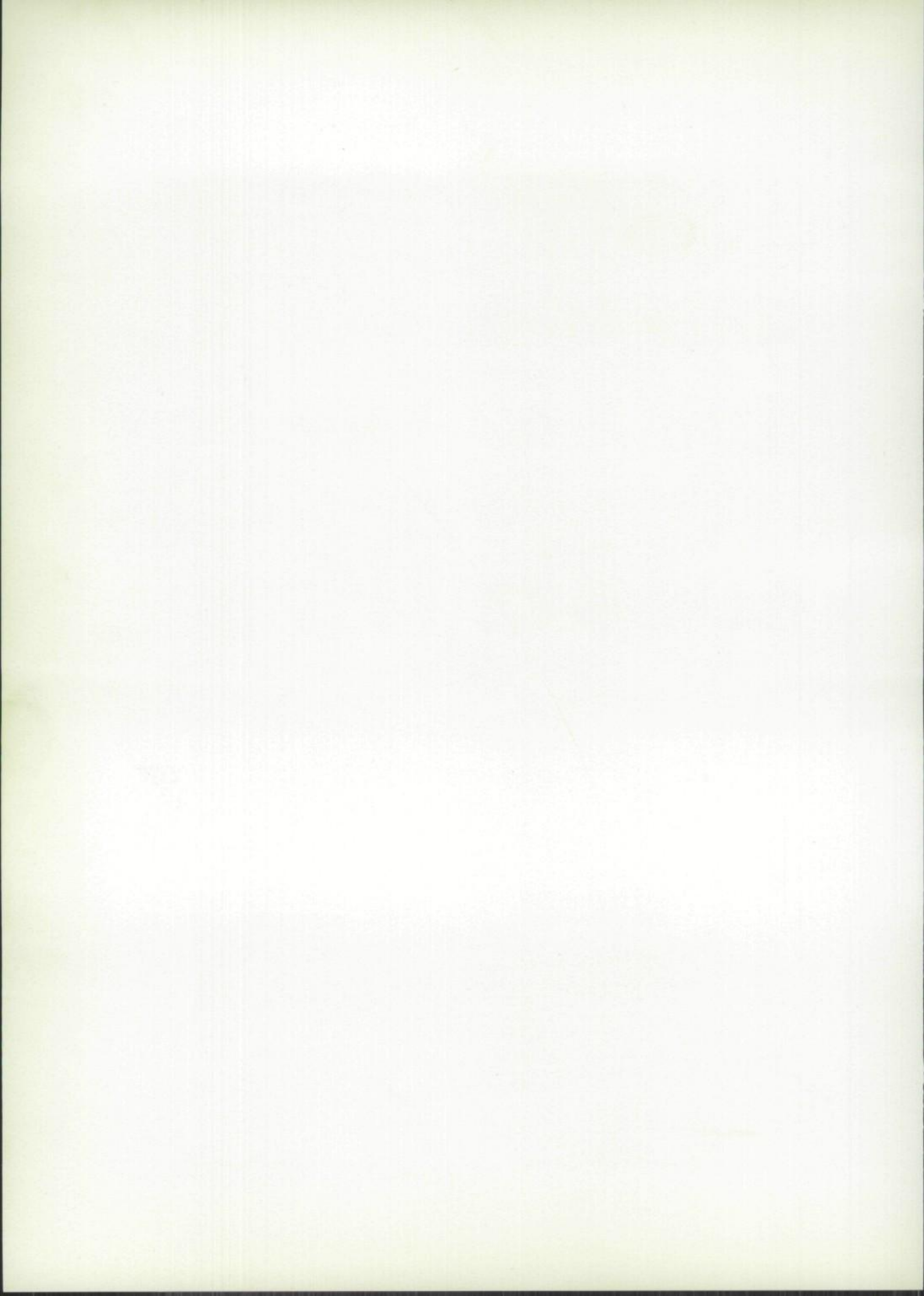
Elta Mae Durham

The girls started volleyball this year and went to the tournament at Menlo. There were ten girls participating in sports this year. We started basketball in November. Our basketball games were as follows:

\*Gem 59-----33 Kanarado  
 \*Gem 52-----54 Menlo  
 \*Gem 44-----33 Rexford  
 \*Gem 61-----44 Leoville  
 \*Gem 36-----48 Selden

Gem 50-----49 Selden  
 Gem 40-----34 Brewster  
 Gem 31-----35 Menlo  
 Gem 49-----37 Leoville  
 Gem 42-----32 Rexford

\* Games played at home.







Gem Hi Cheerleaders



Selden vs. Gem



Brewster vs. Gem



Brewster vs. Gem



Menlo vs. Gem



Monument vs. Gem



Selden vs. Gem



Selden vs. Gem







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Ronald H.



Ward M.



Robert D.



David M.

### HIGH SCHOOL BOYS SPORTS

During the fall the boys started by playing volleyball. We won a third place trophy in the tournament at Menlo. After this we started basketball. We won a third place trophy at Herndon during the League Tournament.

Gem 64-----43	Kanorado	*Gem 65-----50	Menlo
Gem 52-----51	Herndon	Gem 63-----50	Leoville
Gem 54-----41	Monument	Gem 64-----62	Herndon
Gem 72-----53	Jennings	Gem 52-----60	Brewster
Gem 53-----57	Selden	Gem 63-----58	Selden
Gem 40-----70	Menlo	Gem 73-----49	Monument
Gem 43-----75	Rexford	Gem 68-----59	Menlo
*Gem 64-----62	Herndon	Gem 53-----70	Leoville
*Gem 57-----68	Rexford	Gem 57-----78	Rexford
	Gem 70-----73		Page City

\*Denotes tournament games







Herndon vs. Gem



Leoville vs. Gem



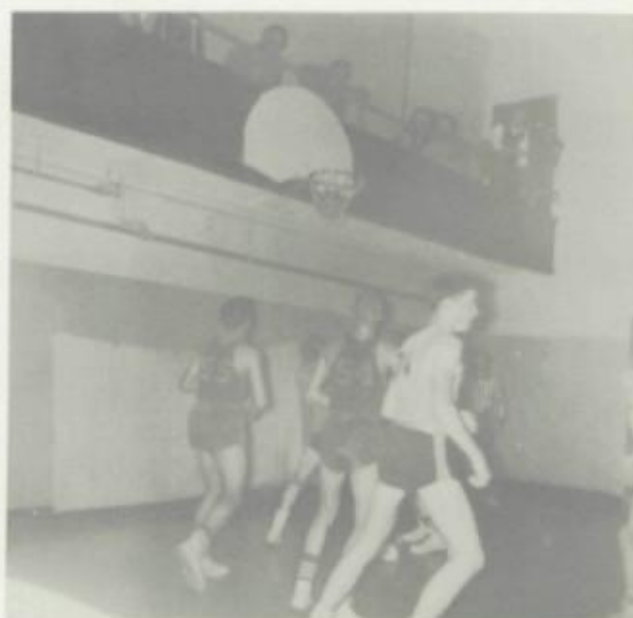
Herndon vs. Gem



Leoville vs. Gem



Herndon vs. Gem



Leoville vs. Gem







Grade Regulars



Grade Midgets



Grade Girls



Mrs. Treat, Grade Girls Coach

The Gem Grades started the year with volleyball.

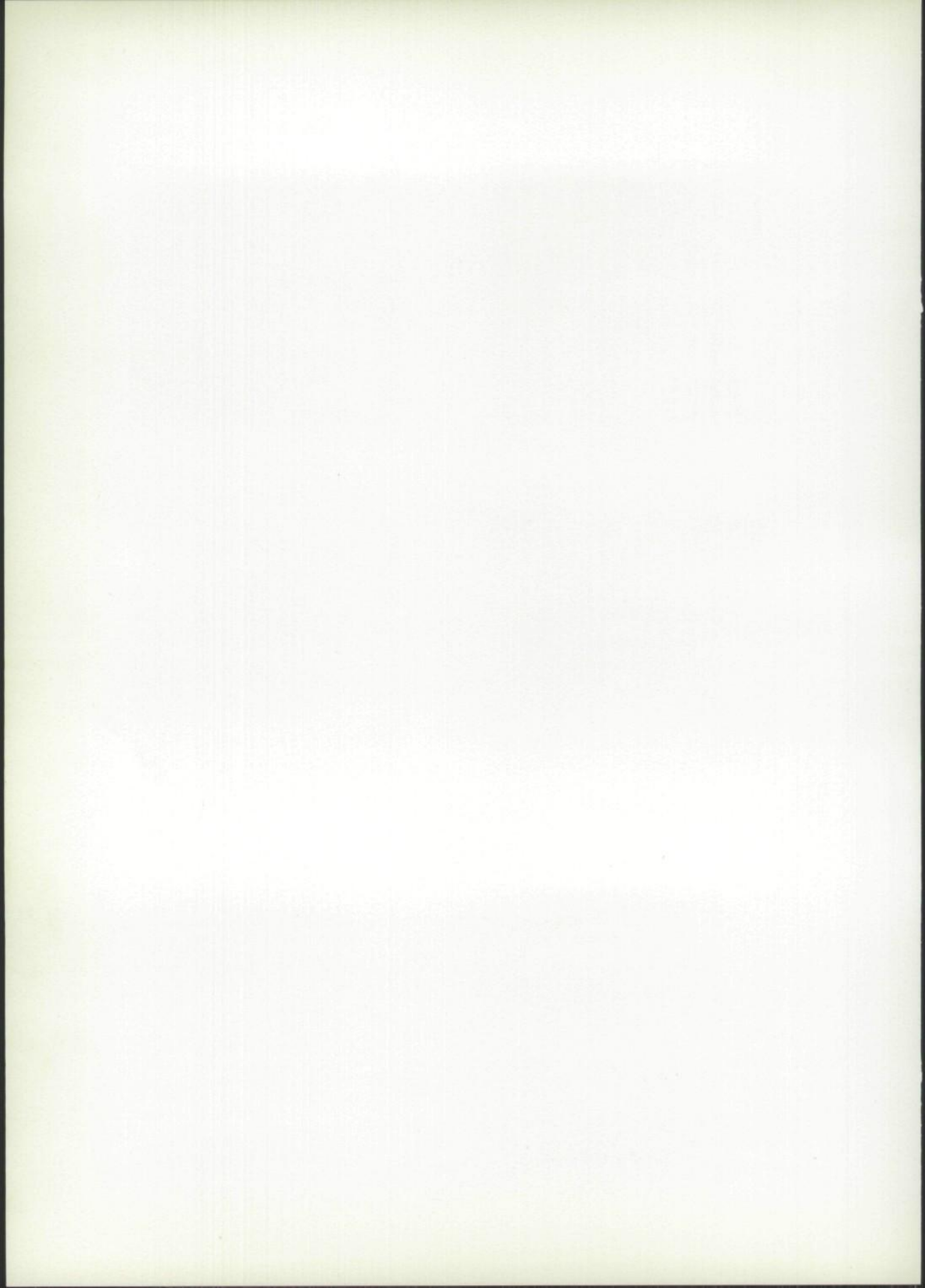
The boys showed very fine teamwork and wonderful sportsmanship all through the year.

The League teams: Rexford; Selden; Menlo; Herndon; and Leoville attended the annual basketball tournament which was held January 27, 28, and 30 at Gem. In the boys basketball tourney Selden took first, Herndon took second, and Leoville took third. In the girls volleyball tourney Menlo placed first and Rexford placed second.

#### BOYS

Gem 20-----35	Herndon	*Gem 20-----35	Herndon
*Gem 21-----33	Selden	*Gem 22-----30	Menlo
Gem 15-----21	Menlo	*Gem 27-----29	Rexford
Gem 27-----28	Rexford	Gem -----	Selden
	*Gem 26-----28	Leoville	

\*Games played at home.







Selden vs. Gem



Herndon vs. Gem



Leoville vs. Gem



Rexford vs. Gem



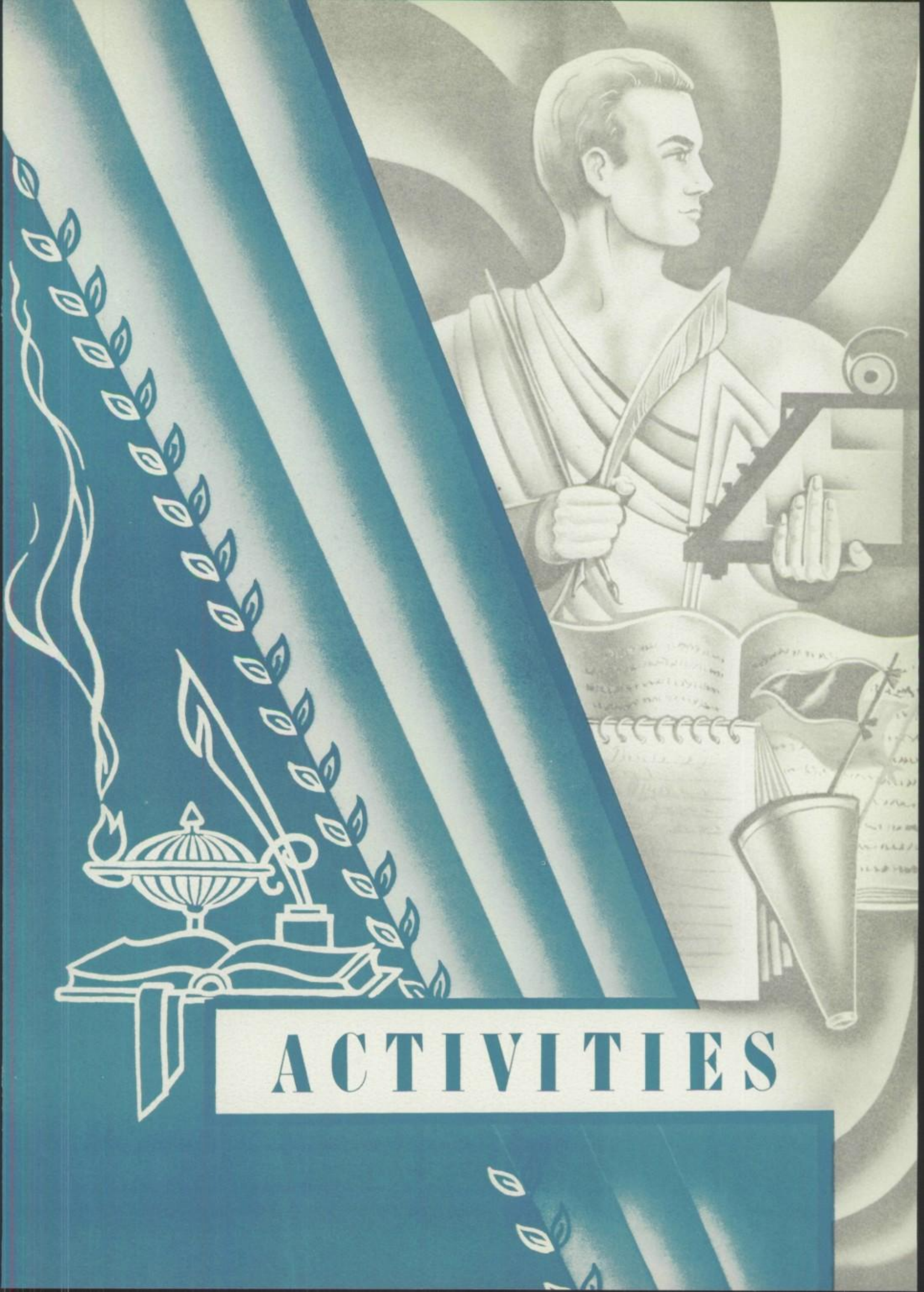
First Place Trophy



Grade Cheer Leaders

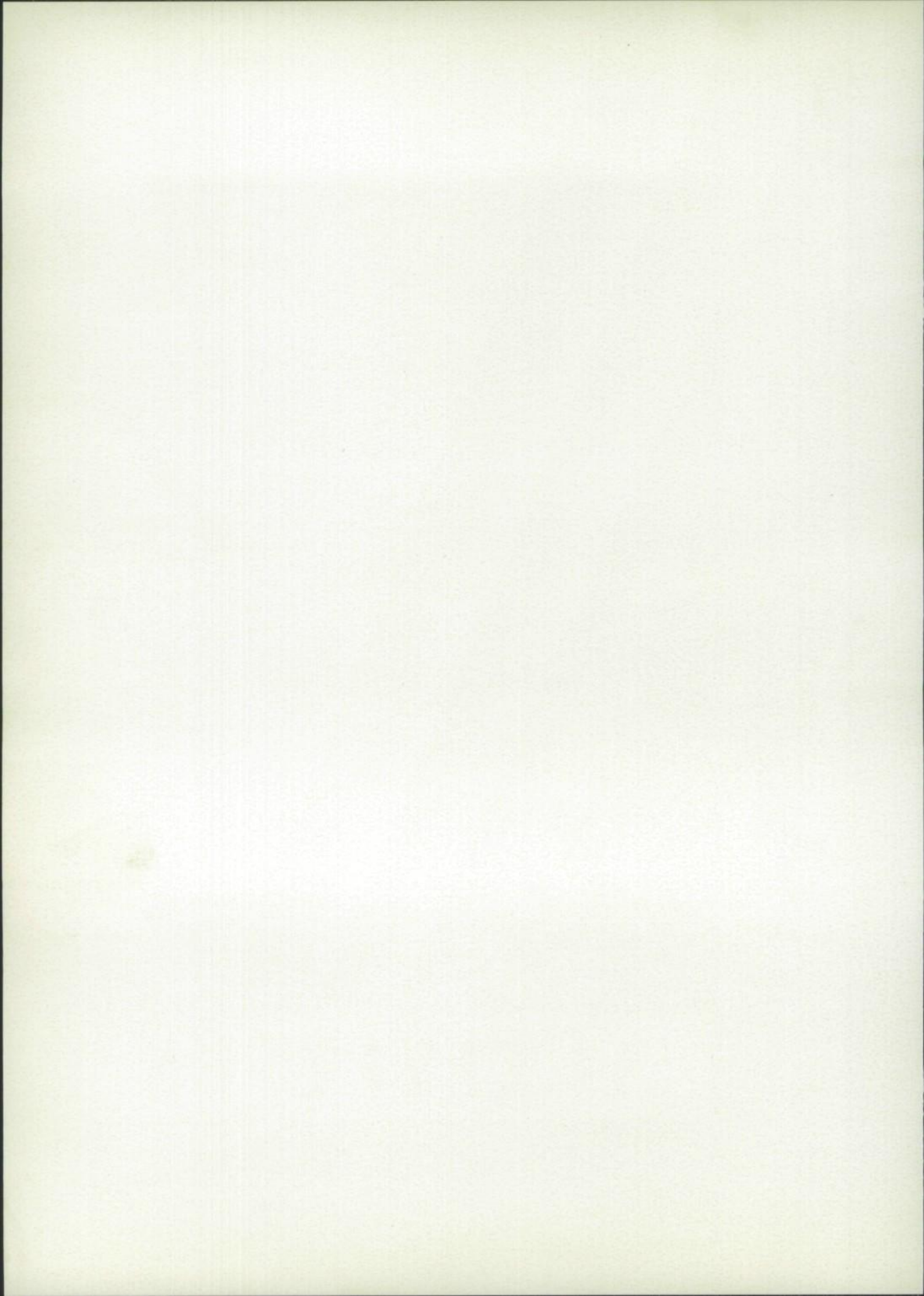






# ACTIVITIES







ENROLLMENT 1953-54



Study Hall



1st and 2nd Grades



3rd and 4th Grades



5th and 6th Grades



7th and 8th Grades





# Activities

## GEM TIGER

This is the fifth year for the Gem Tiger which was published once a month by the following staff: Editor, Vernon Flanagan; Associate Editor, Rose Mae Burke; Sports Editor, Carl Mellor; Class News, P.K. Bugbee; Feature Articles, Betty Mentlick; Joke Page, Elizabeth Miller and our sponsor was Mr. Crawford. We have enjoyed putting out the paper and hope the patrons have enjoyed reading it.

## JUNIOR AND SENIOR BANQUET

The Juniors of last year decorated the music room for the Jr. and Sr. banquet. Our theme was "Fantasy of the Deep" and chicken of the sea was our main food with all the trimmings. We made most of our decorations which were mainly fish of the sea and one big mermaid. After the banquet, we all went to Colby to the show which was "Pony Express." It was enjoyed by all.

## ASSEMBLY PROGRAMS

There were four assembly programs sent out by the University of Kansas and sponsored by the Senior Class. The first program was the Magician, September 22. The second program was the Fire Arm Lecture, October 14. The third program was the Bell Ringer, November 13. Our last program was the Archer March 18. The programs this year were exceptionally good and everyone turned out to see and enjoy them.

## HIGH SCHOOL PLAY

Our play last year was "Hill Billy Weddin'" in which we all participated in and had a lot of fun putting it on. The cast consisted of about the whole high school.

## SENIOR SNEAK

This year there were only two Juniors and they joined with the Seniors and Bob went on the Annual Senior sneak. The Seniors helped the Juniors serve in the lunch room at basketball games.

## BAND

This made the fifth year for our band and all years but the first we have had a concert. We wish to thank Mrs. Crawford who started up our band. There were four Seniors in band: Betty Mentlick; Vernon Flanagan; Rose Burke; and P.Kay Bugbee. We gave two concerts this year, one one December 14, and another one in the spring. The band is going to Spring Festival again this year at Oberlin. The band consisted of 26 members. Miss Barbara Haygood was our new leader this year.





# Music Activities



Dorreen, Drum Major



Band



Music Teacher



First and Second Grade Music



Third and Fourth Grade Music



Fifth and Sixth Grade Music



Grade Girls Music



Band Twirlers



Band Concert





# School Activities



First and Second Grades  
in Christmas Program



First and Second Grades  
in Christmas Program



Third and Fourth Grades  
in Christmas Program



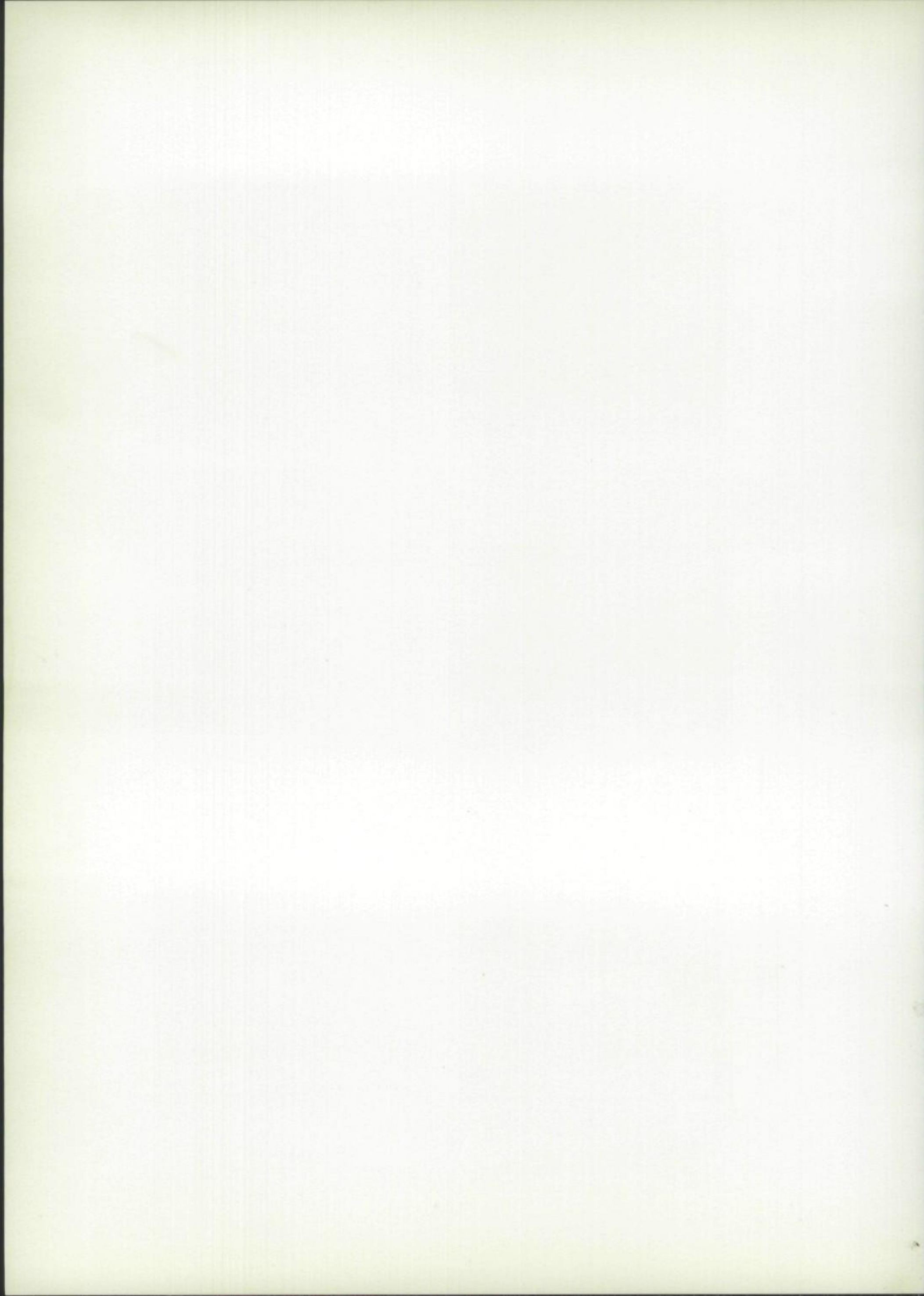
Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, and  
Eighth Grades in  
Christmas Program



High School Glee Club



Band Concert







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School Activities



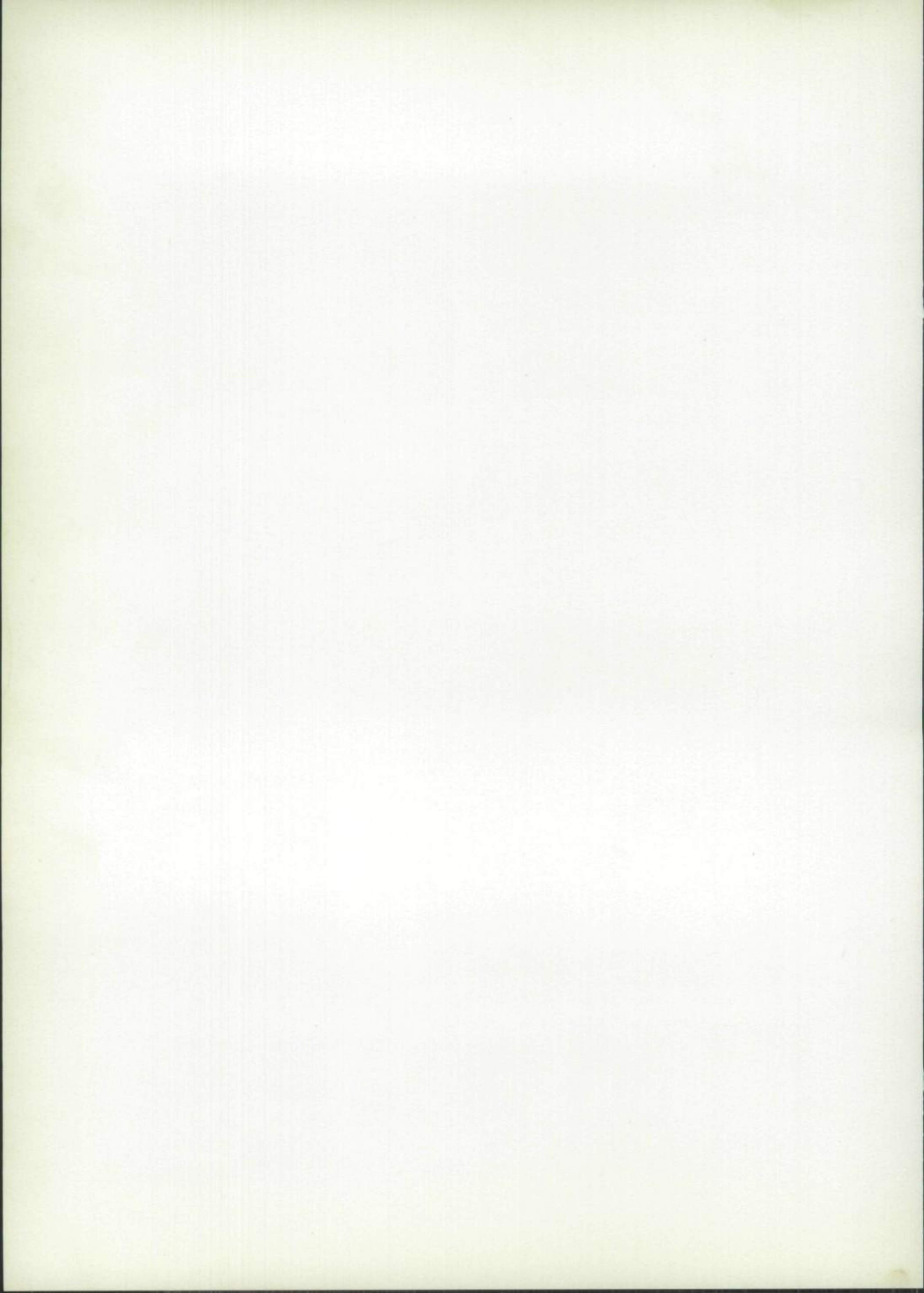
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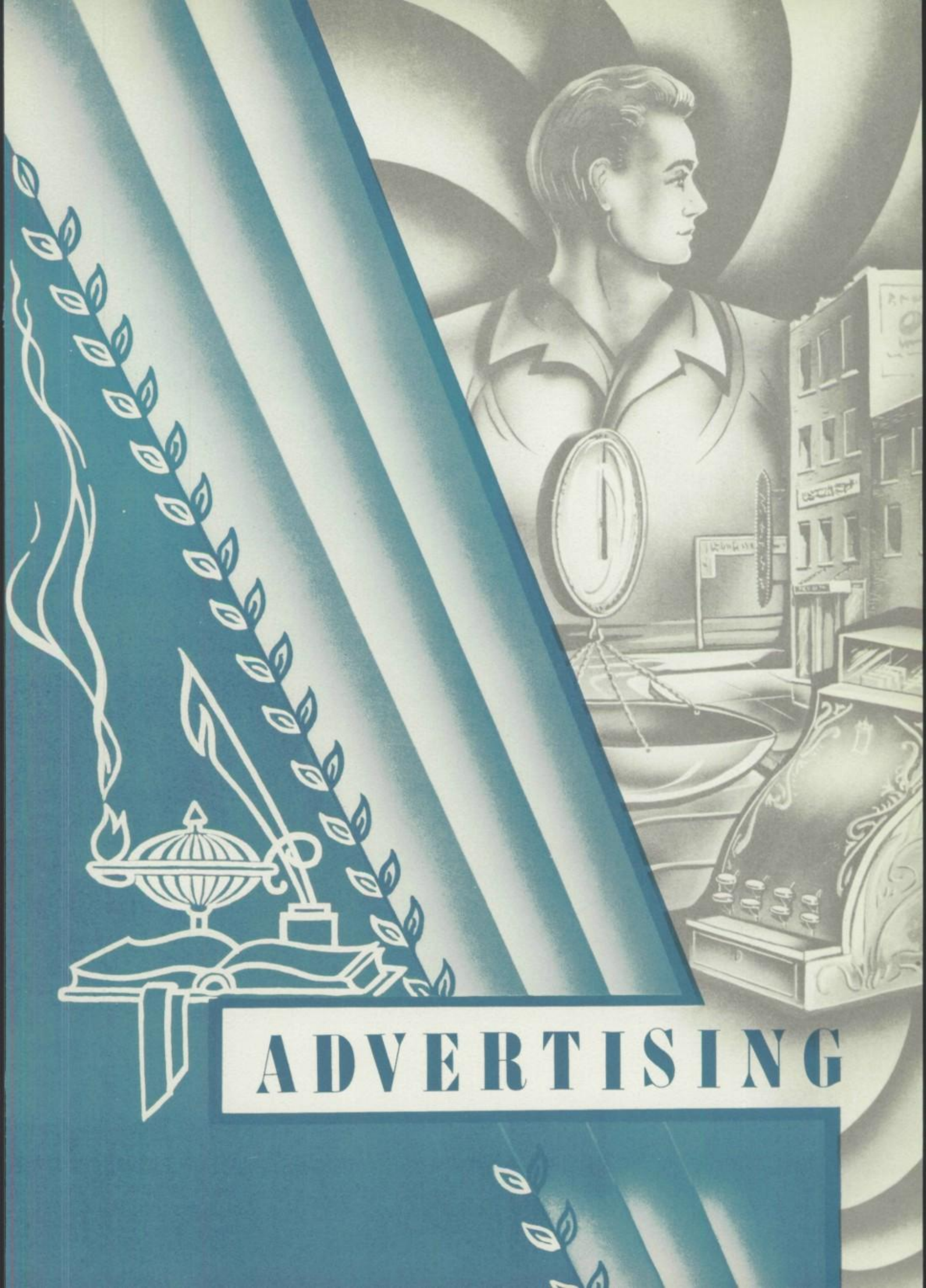
Gem's Star Guard



Teachers Pests

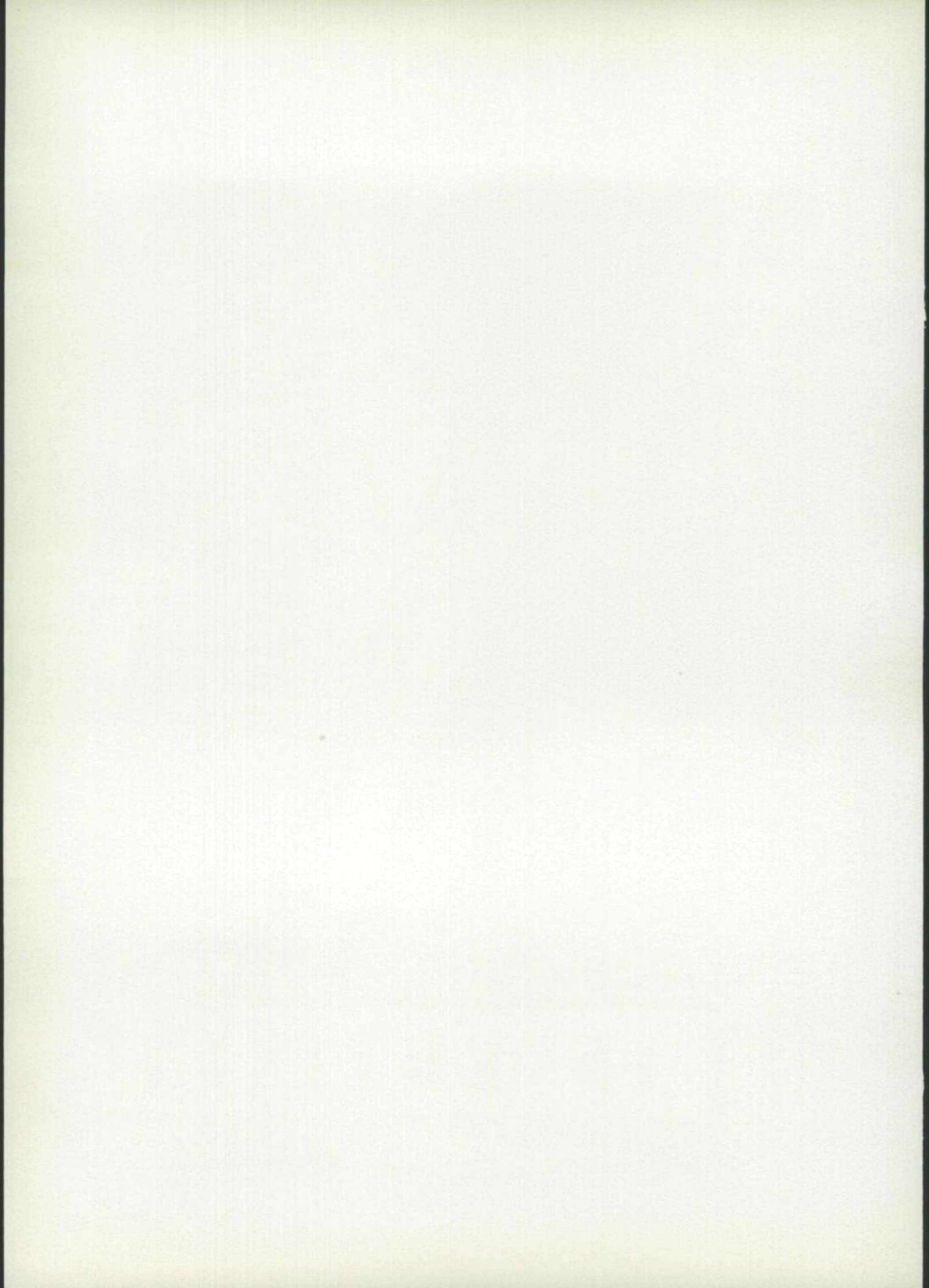






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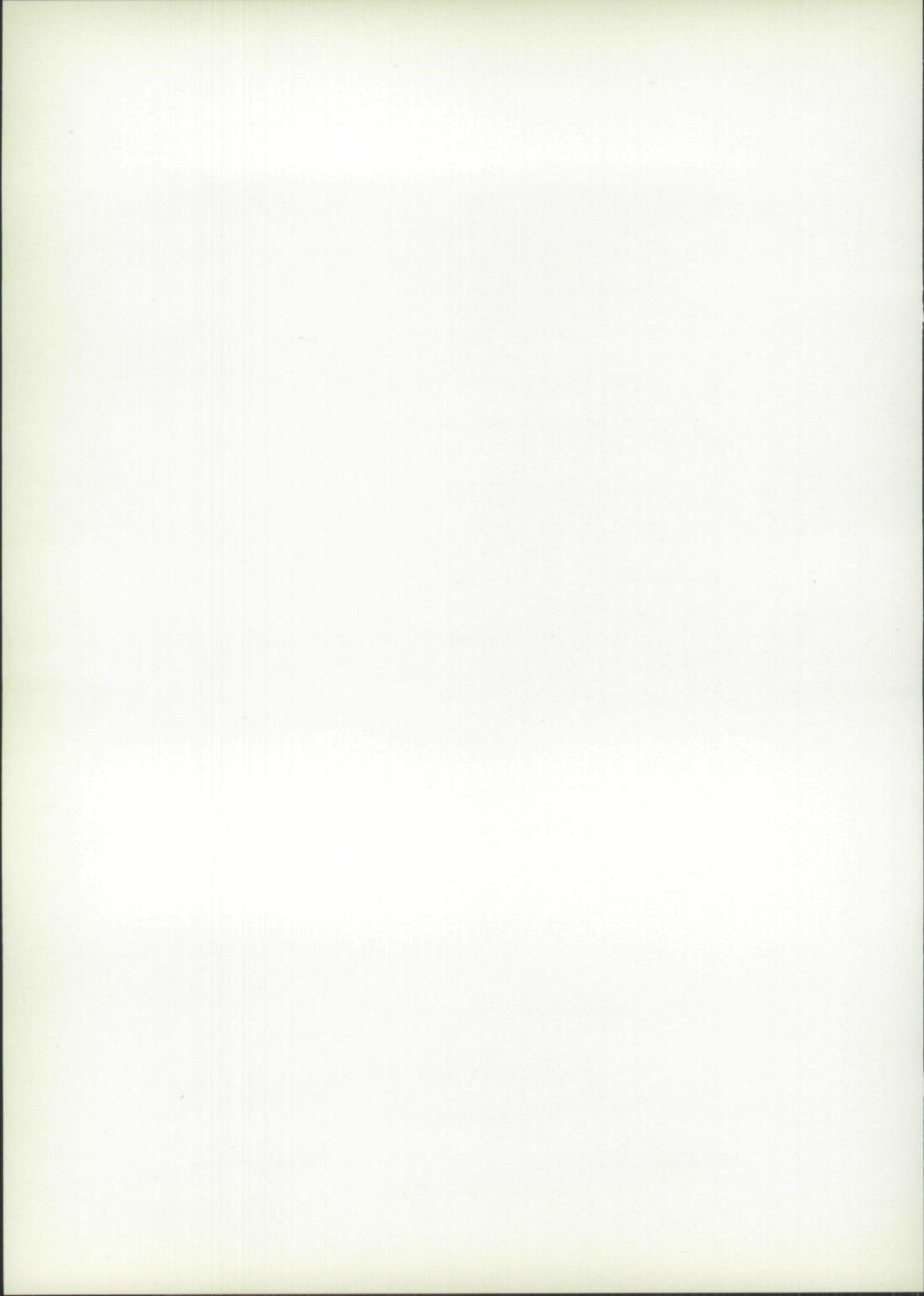
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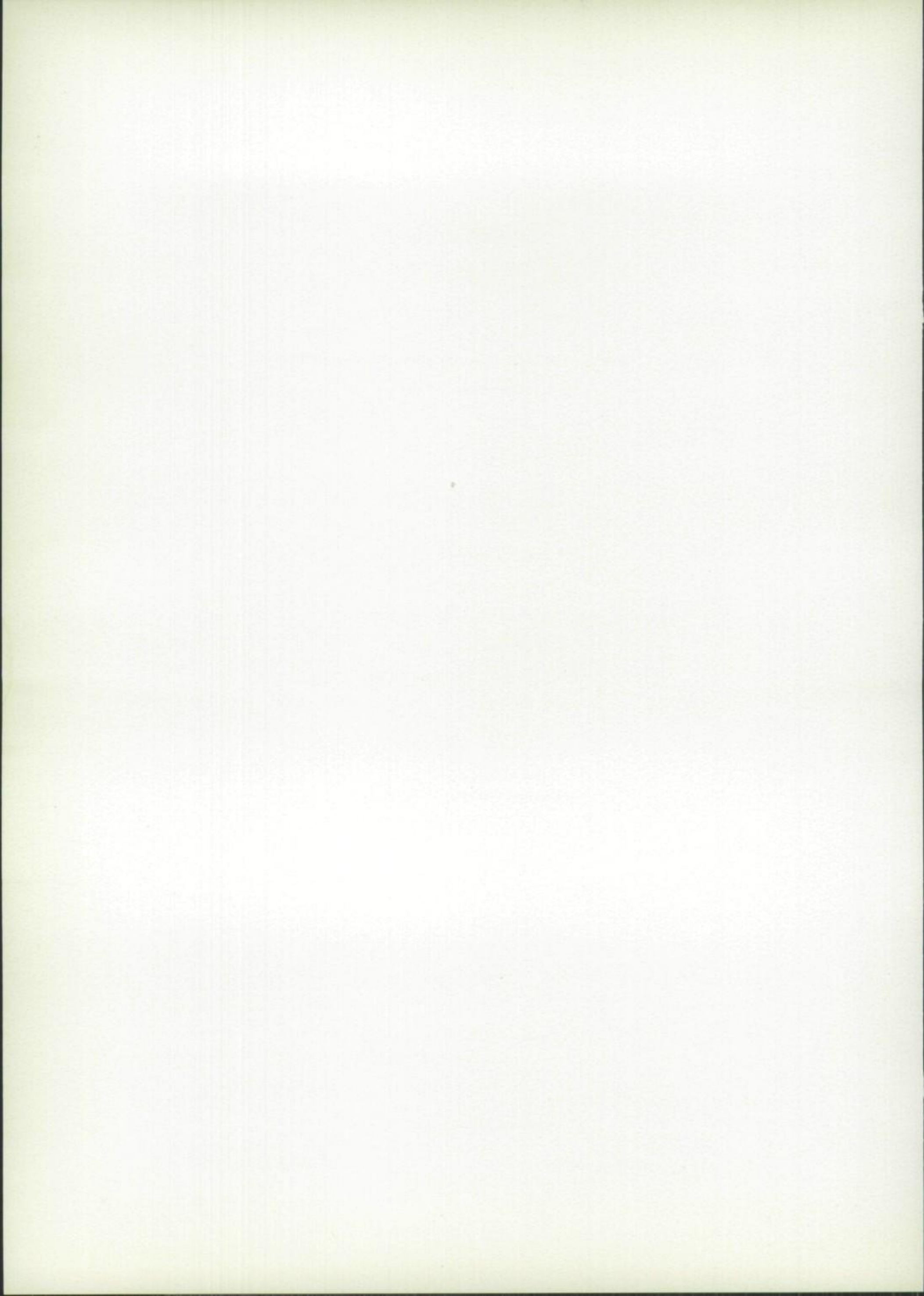
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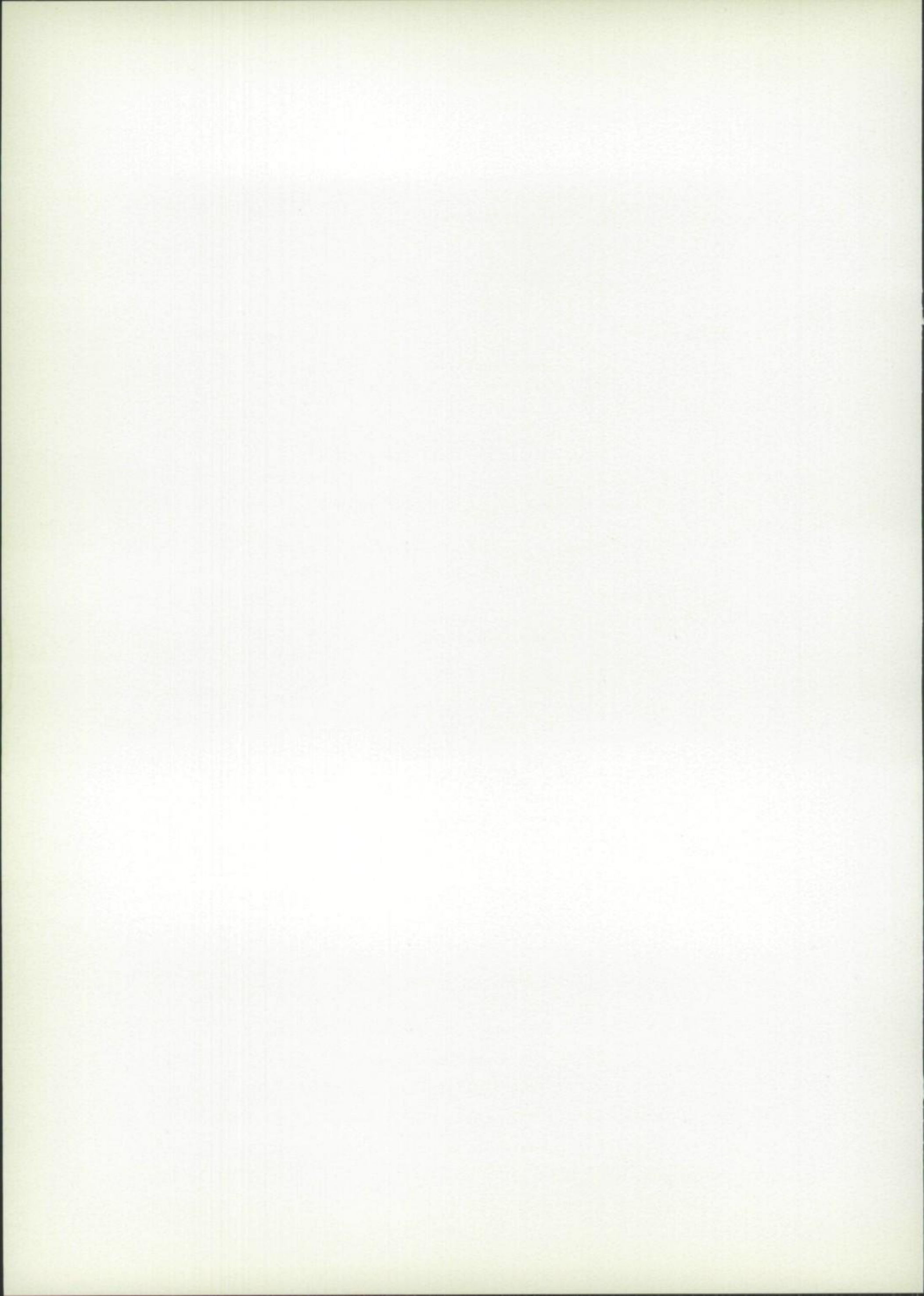
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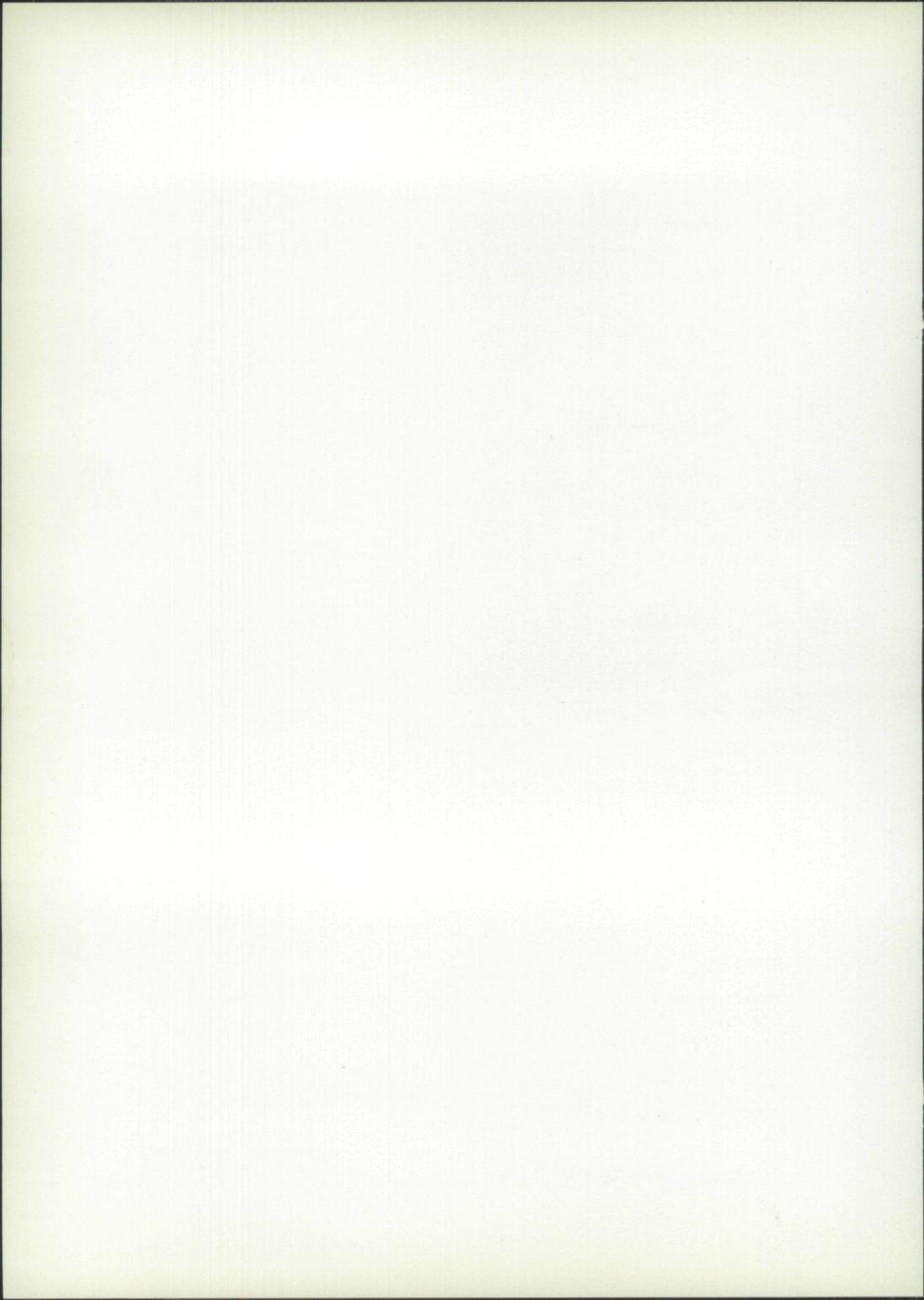
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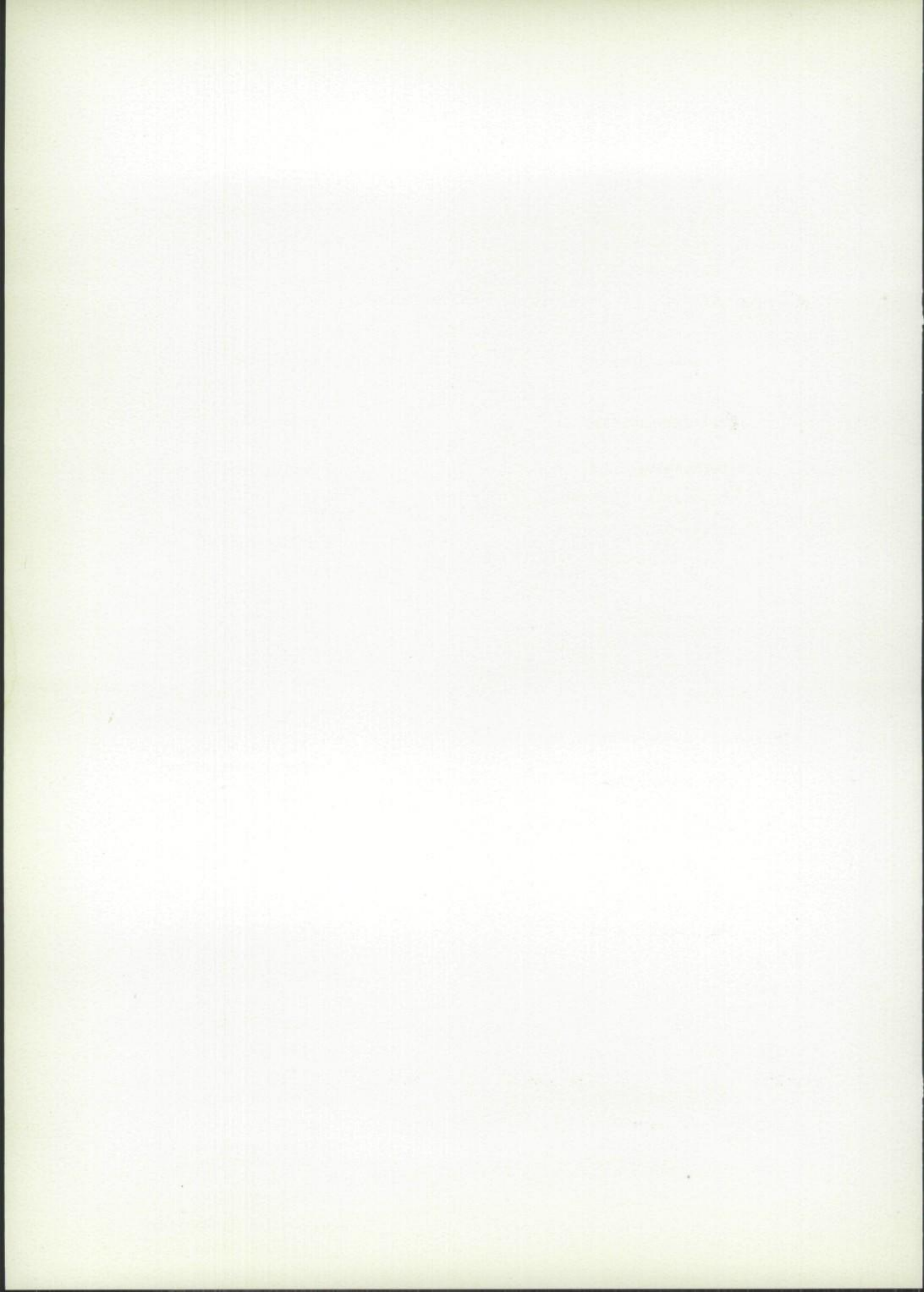
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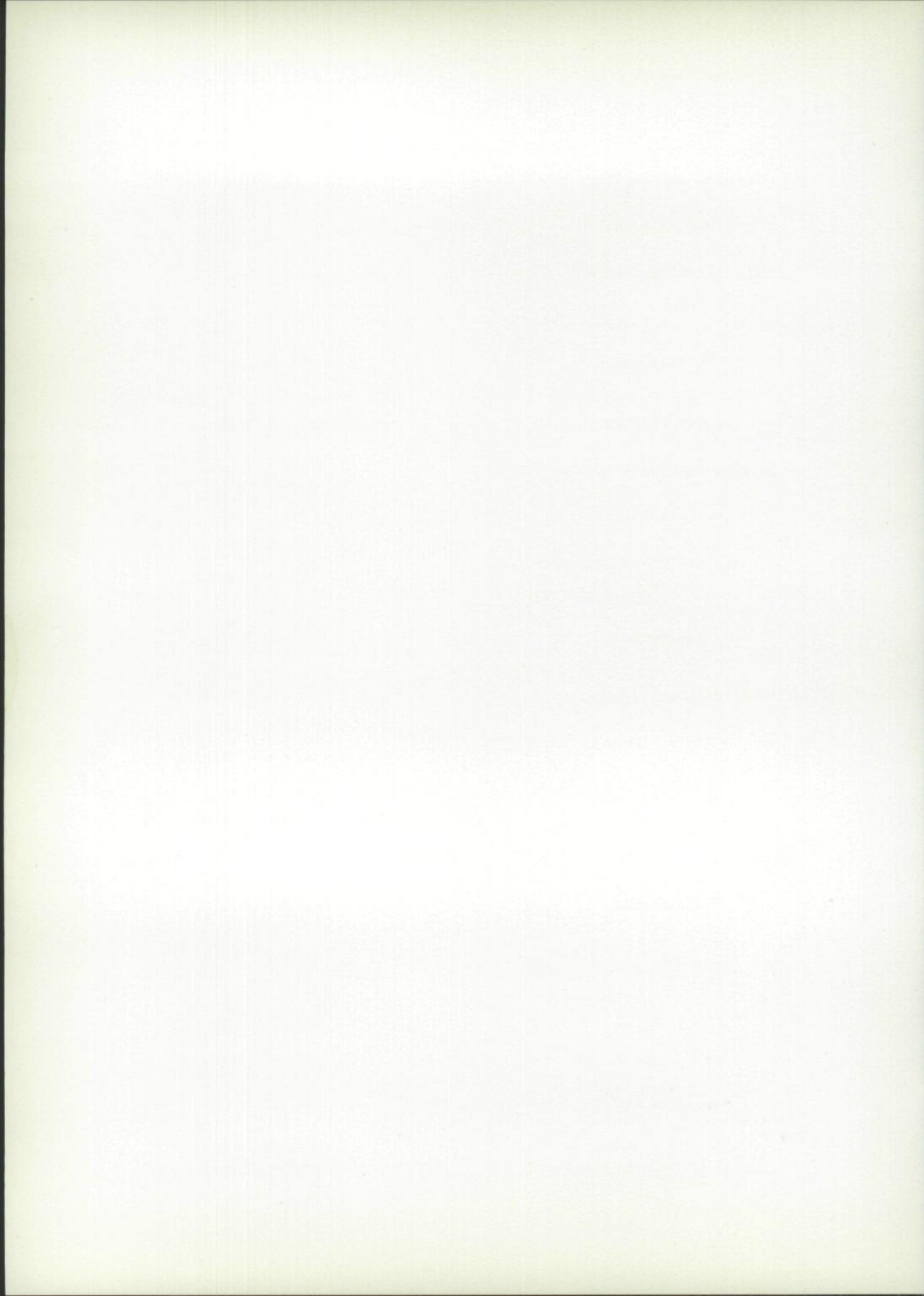
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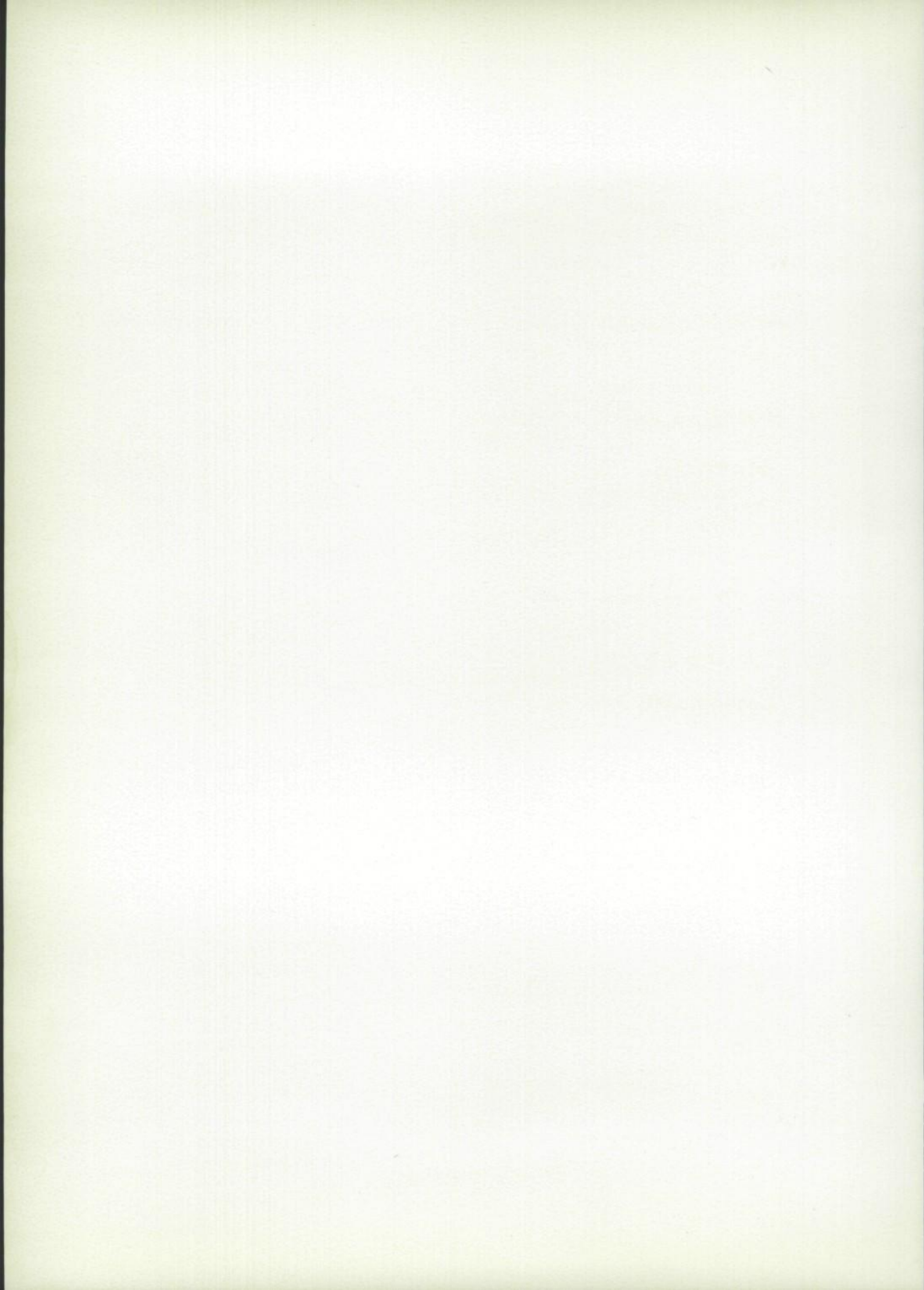
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